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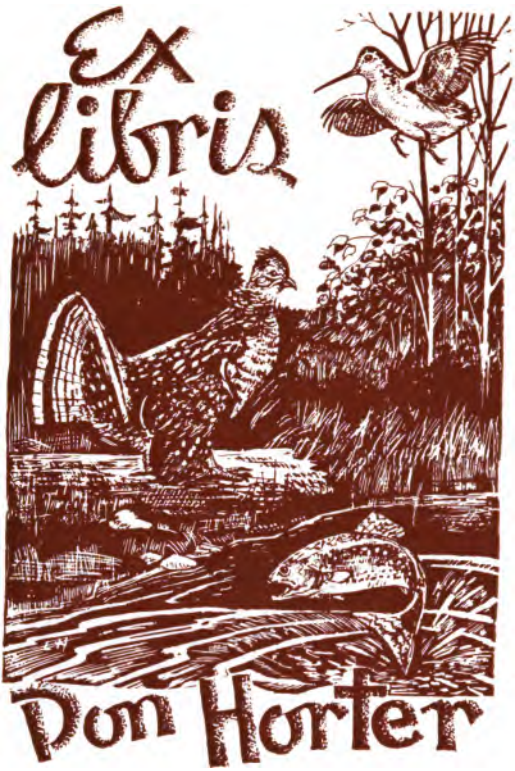

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TO ANGLERS.

GENTLEMEN,

This season we have, at one stroke, increased our Catalogue of Angling requisites to near upon double its former size. Many descriptions of improved articles and several important new inventions will be found in its pages; these are supplemented with many specialities, combining best quality of skill in construction and of material with the most strict economy in cost of production. Of these may be especially mentioned Rods and Reels.

The new and enlarged buildings recently opened by us will enable a still more prompt and efficient attention to be extended to all home and foreign orders—large and small—that may be entrusted to us during the ensuing season.

As the production of angling requisites occupies the whole of our attention, &c., we have an immense advantage possessed by few, if any, equally large producers of angling requisites.

Having now increased facilities for the production of refined and improved angling necessities, we shall be enabled to construct to order and description customers' own ideas, still more accurate in detail, when differing from articles already stocked.

Our specialities in Rods, Reels, Lines, and in Fly, Mid-water, and Bottom Tackle, generally need no commendation. Steel-centred Rods, Waterproof Silk, and the Acme Metal-centred Lines, centre winches, &c., have now acquired world-wide fame, being extensively used almost wherever a fly is thrown or a bait is spun.

The success of these latest developments in the angler's implements has, we are reluctantly compelled to add, induced unscrupulous traders and makers to victimise the unsuspecting with numerous more or less unworthy imitations, in which durability, utility, and quality of material and workmanship is sacrificed for the sake of a dishonest profit. To ensure satisfaction the intending purchaser will do well to invest in the original, true, and reliable articles.

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We shall feel greatly obliged if our correspondents will quote List No. of articles required, with their descriptions of alterations, if any, &c., required.

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LIST OF RODS.

BEFORE describing our range of rods, we would like to state, for the special benefit of the intending purchaser, that we send rods for choice on receipt of a cash deposit amounting to half the value of the rods selected to be submitted on approval. By this arrangement we are enabled to reach our clients everywhere in a manner most satisfactory.

The above system of supply has proved so increasingly successful in suiting the needs of the ever-extending army of anglers, who are habitually the users and the commenders of our improved and refined requisites, that we are now prepared to extend to new correspondents and old patrons alike the benefits thus offered. Our rods are an embodiment of best possible workmanship and best materials, and when we add that we employ, first best appliances only, for accurate building, &c., the query—"How is it Foster's rods are so much the rage?" needs not a long pondered reply.

We produce rods at varying prices for all kinds of rod fishing, and to strangers to our productions who need proof to convince, we would suggest that they CONTRAST our lowest or highest priced fly or other rod with any rod to be got ANYWHERE, EITHER AT HOME OR ABROAD, at the same price; as there is invariably less value given in every way, we with confidence invite the test. Several imitators of our rod improvements, and particularly of the steel centre, taking advantage of the universal demand, have had the hardihood and cool audacity to advertise their piracies 75 to 100 per cent. more in price than that of the original and genuine article. Owing to a clever regard to the bounds of legality, these unscrupulous freebooters have hitherto contrived to avoid the trammels of the legal net, but seeing that a limp and wayward piano string is the nearest approach they make to our stiff, needlelike,

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stout, and strong, yet slender, steel backbone, we are anxious only to save the unsuspecting from a bold, unprincipled imposition.

Steel centred rods were introduced by us some six years since. So great was their success over the ordinary build of rod, that the Gold Medal and Diploma of Honour was awarded them at the International Fisheries, London, 1883, and highest awards have been ever since gained by them at other exhibitions wherever exhibited.

None but they who habitually use a good rod are able to comprehend the immense advantages derived from its use. What the bow is to the successful archer, or the bat to the crack batsman, so is the rod to the expert fisherman. It is the medium of success. Given a good rod, even in the hands of a comparative novice, if the fish are on the feed, the chances are he meets with success, but with an unduly stiff, or a weak backed, "swoppy," unmanageable, ill-made implement, even the proficient is nonplussed, exasperated, and, for the time being, undone.

In commencing our Catalogue of Rods for the year 1887, which in scope and variety, beginning as it does with well-made keeper's rods, suited equally with our latest and best specialities for hard and constant use, will be found to compare favourably with that of any contemporary manufacturers, whether British or foreign; this especially in the three cardinal points most studied by us, viz., utility of design, quality of workmanship and material, economy in cost and price. On these points our experience and success, seen in the reception accorded our inventions, both by our patrons and by trade pirates, enables us, without egotism, to say "we hold the field."

TROUT SPINNING RODS.

NO.		s.	d.
661.	Three-joint Hickory Spinning Rods, brazed and winch fitted, in case, 9 and 10 ft., 4s. 6d., 5s. 6d., 6s. 6d., and	7	6
662.	Ditto ditto 10 and 12 ft., two tops, &c, 7s. and	8	6
663.	Four-joint ditto ... ... 8s and	10	6
664.	Ditto, best quality, with new upright safety, or solid rings, a first-rate rod in all points, 11s. 9d., 13s., and	14	6
665.	Ditto, extra finish	16	6

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NO.		s.	d.
666.	East India Cane Rod, 12 ft., light, solid at joints, strong, and pliant, winch fitted, in case	12	6
667.	Ditto, with solid or rustless steel upright rings, and best finish...	16	6
668.	Four-joint East India Cane Rod, winch fitted, 12 ft., in bag	15	6
669.	Ditto, best quality, two tops, &c., 12 ft. 19s. 6d., 14 ft. 21s., 16 ft. 23s. 6d., 18 ft. 26s., and 20 ft.	29	6
670.	Ditto, with superior mounts, and double brazed, balanced handle, and solid winch fittings, very light. A splendid rod for fine trouting. It is equally suited for minnow and worm. In three joints, with two tops, 10 to 12 ft.	30	0
671.	Ditto, with four joints, 10 to 12 ft.	32	6
672.	Ditto, 14 ft. 35s. 6d., 15 ft. 37s., 16 ft. 38s. 6d., and 18 ft.	40	0
673.	HEXAGONAL BUILT CANE TROUT SPINNING RODS, in three joints, with two tops, 10 ft., either pliant, medium, or strong build, either cane or waterproof silk bound, inlaid, cedar, cork, or pigskin covered handle, with upright safety rings	52	6
674.	Ditto ditto with bayonet lock joints, and steel rustless upright wings	59	6
675.	Ditto, with steel centre	79	6

676. First quality built Cane.

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The best possible combination of workmanship and material is here worked up, and with a result that is found to eclipse any other make, either English or American. We guarantee this rod for two years to the purchaser, and if found in any way defective, after fair usage, during the period named, we engage to supply a new rod, or refund the cash paid for the defective implement. It will be obvious to all that were we not confident of the immense superiority of this article, we should not give a sweeping guarantee of this character with a light and delicately constructed article. This rod is, as we have above stated, made in the best possible style.

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677.	If steel-centred, 16s. 6d. extra trout, 18s. lake, and 19s. 6d. extra salmon.		
678.	Two-joint ditto, with extra short top or butt joint, 10 to 11 feet	62	6
679.	Second quality ditto	54	6
	The two foregoing rods are each 9s. 6d. extra if steel centred.		
680.	Cane and greenheart, built alternately, same price as above.		

FLY RODS—TROUT AND GRAYLING.

681.	Good serviceable three-joint Hickory and Lance Rod, with strong durable mountings, winch-fitted, in case	5	9
	The above is adapted for hard wear, is durably constructed, and is the best value offered in youths' rods. It compares favourably with rods usually sold at double the cost.		
682.	Three-joint ditto, extra finish, 10 to 12 feet... ...	7	6
683.	Three-joint ditto, bronzed ferrules and best finish, 10, 10½, 11, 11½ to 12 feet	8	9
684.	Four-joint (682 quality), 11 and 12 feet	9	6
685.	Ditto, best finish	10	6
686.	All Greenheart Fly Rods, good plain mounts and finish, three joints, winch-fitted, 10 to 12 feet, screw spear, in partitioned case	10	9
687.	All Greenheart, three-joint, 10 feet, best finish, mushroom button, relieved bronzed fittings, in partitioned case	16	6
688.	All Greenheart, double-brazed, three joints, bronzed fittings, screw spear, 11 feet, in partitioned case ...	19	6
689.	All Greenheart, three-joint, 12 feet ditto, ditto ...	21	6
690.	All Greenheart, two-joint, Derbyshire Switches, 10 to 12 feet, bronzed metal mounts, first class action, screw spear, &c., in partitioned case...	17	9

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692.	Three-joint Rod in best Hickory or Blue Mahoe, and best picked Lance, two long tops, balanced grooved handle, bronzed fittings, screw spear, in partitioned case	21	0
693.	Ditto, best quality double brazed	26	6
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696.	Whole East India Male Cane Fly Rods, balanced handle, solid winch fittings, two tops (of greenheart), 10 to 12 feet. A first rate Rod for heavy work, light (about ¾ oz. per foot), stiffish in action ...	29	6
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698.	Three-joint very best Fly Rod, double brazed, finest solid winch fittings, two cane-tipped or whole wood tops, divisioned case, 10, 10½, 11, 11½, and 12 feet	35	0
699.	Three-joint ditto, with Mushroom at foot of butt, and new Cap-covered Spiral lock joint	38	6

700.	Three-joint very best Fly Rod, cane-wrapped handle, and with either mushroom or button termination or spear, weigh 10, 11, and 12 oz.	37	6
	This Rod was awarded a Prize Medal at the International Fisheries Exhibition, London, 1883.		
701.	Three-joint best rod, fitted with the new centre winch (detachable), rod and reel combined, balanced handle	39	6
	This Rod is similar in appearance to that shown on Plate V. (Fig. 1).		
702.	Castle Connell Rods, two-joint, 10 to 12 ft., spliced, best	19	6
703.	Two-joint ditto, two tops, best, 10 to 12 ft.	25	6
704.	Three-joint ditto, ditto ditto ...	29	0
705.	Ditto ferruled joints instead of spliced joinings, 10 to 12 ft.	28	6
	If bound in cane or leather, 2/9 extra.		
706.	Three-joint very best finished Fly Rod, bronzed fittings, in grooved wood case	59	6
707.	Ditto, ditto, with solid white metal mounts	68	6
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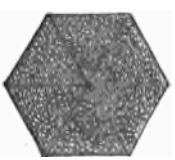
709.	Ditto, ditto, best solid winch fittings and finish, double brazed, 10 to 12 ft.	38	6

BUILT CANE FLY RODS.

BEFORE CEMENTING.

Sections showing system of building.



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Diagonal cane-built rods were originally made in this country some forty-seven years ago. They were not only spliced in the manner shown in the above sections, but in addition, at intervals of every foot, or less, along the rod's joints, in the same way as is it usual to splice a top. This necessitated the rods being almost one half covered with wrappings. This idea seemed to be that the periodic round rim or joint on single cane was untrustworthy, and was not in consequence fit for use. The plan of planing the raised knot-like rim, which is the hardest part of the cane, to an even surface, and thus building full-length parts or joints without the presence of constantly occurring masses of silk bindings, is of a much later date. This was perhaps not so important an advance

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as was the discovery of a cement or composition impervious to the effect of water, in lieu of the old style glue which did not always prove satisfactory in use. So great and reliable an improvement is the compound now used, that we have resorted to the plan of giving a guarantee for two years with all best cane-built rods sent out by us, with and without steel centres.

NO.

710. Hexagonal built cane Fly Rods, three joints, 10 ft., 45s.; 11 ft., 48s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 50s.; 12 ft., 51s. 6d.

711. Ditto, ditto, superior finish, 10 ft., 52s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 54s.; 11 ft., 55s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 57s. 6d.; 12 ft., 60s.

712. Ditto, best, with two tops and bound handle, bronzed fittings, 10 ft., 63s.; 10½ ft., 65s. 6d.; 11 ft., 68s.; 11½ ft., 70s.; 12 ft., 73s. 6d.

713. Ditto, with best finish and the most minute precision in build and detail, &c., 10 ft., 69s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 71s.; 11 ft., 73s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 75s.; 12 ft., 76s. 6d.

Above with cork, inlaid cedar, or cane-bound handles. If white metal mounts are used, the cost is 9s. 6d. extra. If fitted with the new revolving "Bickerdyke" Rod tip ring (Patent No. 6232), 1s. 6d. extra. Bronzed lock joints, 4s. 6d. extra. The new spired cap covered joint, 5s. 6d. External screw cap lock joints, 3s. 6d. extra.

THE REVOLVING BICKERDYKE ROD END RING.

714. Best possible finished Cane Built, with white metal mounts, &c., 10 ft., 90s.; 10½ ft., 91s. 6d.; 11 ft., 93s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 95s. 6d.; 12 ft., 98s.

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"Dated this day of 188 .

(Signed) "D. & W. H. FOSTER."

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FITTED WITH THE NEW SERRATED FERRULE FOR JOINTS—MALLESON'S REGISTERED.

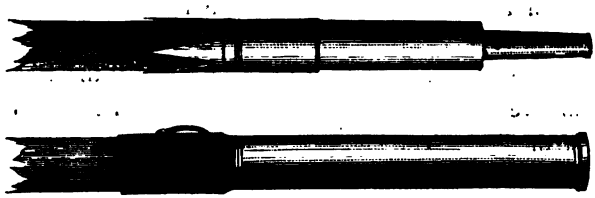

Fig. A shows the serrated ferrule, as fixed before the silk bindings are added.

Fig. B. The ferrule in its finished state.

It is a well-known fact that the early pattern of split cane rods failed to merit satisfaction largely through the bad fitting and shape of the joint ferrules. Our make of these rods are fitted with ferrules, hexagonal shaped, to fit or cover over the cane without the most remote chance of injury to the cane enamel or rind. The serrated ferrule arrangement works equally satisfactory.

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715. Two joint rod, with extra top joint, and with cork or cane bound handle, 10 to 11 ft., 61s. 6d.

716. Ditto, three joints, two tops, with East India cane landing net handle to hold extra top, and with cork or cane bound handle, 69s. 6d. Inlaid cane and cedar butts, 7s. 6d. extra.

GOLD MEDAL STEEL CENTRED FLY RODS.

Gold Medal awarded at the Great International Fisheries Exhibition, 1883, and gold or highest award at every subsequent exhibition wherever exhibited.

Steel centred rods were invented by the Author of the "Scientific Angler." They, together with other important improvements in anglers' requisites, emanating from the same source, have been pirated in a very shameless way, even by individuals holding more or less respectable positions in the trade.

This we mention as a proof of the great success of the invention which we introduced so late as 1882. There is almost as much difference between a stiff steel spring cored fly rod and a heavy all-wood weapon, as there is between a modern Colts' six-shooter and an old horse pistol. Steel as a propelling medium gives, at the least expenditure of motive force, the most satisfactory response and results on delivery of the line. Through its agency wrist action largely takes the place of the full arm and elbow motion needful in wielding the more cumbersome and weighty implement. The steel centred rod, as first introduced, was of greenheart. This rod promised so satisfactorily that we have since extended the principle to built cane rods. These are warranted for two years, in common with our other built cane and steeled rods. We append a few extracts from reviews by several important angling writers, that have appeared since our invention has been made public.

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The following appears in "Fishing Tackle: its Materials and Manufacture," by J. Harrington Keene.

"In this recent development in solid wooded rods the inventor's aim has been, first, strength and durability; second, pliancy and lightness; and, lastly, the consequent reduction of length and *condensation* of *power*. That these objects have been attained . . . there is ample testimony . . . continually accumulating from habitual users. The presence of the steel core in the butt only serves to strengthen a ten or eleven foot rod so as to render it capable of casting an equal distance with an all-wood tool having 18 inches the advantage in length, whilst lightness and precision in the output of line is more marked in the case of the former. With two joints (out of a total of three) steeled, these advantages are the more manifest. The spring derived from the presence of the metal core has an effect difficult verbally to describe—such are the working results of the backbone thus instilled. The easing nature upon the hand and arm incurred by its use is so significant, that anything short of a practical test can only impart an imperfect impression of its appreciable qualities. Wrist action only is all that is called into play in the delivery of an average output of line, and by this motion the perfect swing of the implement pays forward the length equally with ease and precision. There is also another advantage in the build of this rod. The reel is made inside the butt, so to speak, and thus all the nuisance of the line entwining round the reel is entirely avoided."

Extract from the "English Fishing Gazette."

The Editor says, "Foster's patent steel-centred fly rod is an extremely neat little weapon, and throws a fly very nicely indeed. The butt has a fine steel core which gives more spring and elasticity, combined with strength, than one could otherwise get out of a rod of the same size. We are told these rods have been received with great approval. Some are fitted with the new centre-fitting winch, which is the most perfect arrangement of the winch to prevent the line catching.

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It is very neat, and is said to be liked by those who have tried it. It works inside the butt, as it were."—July, 1883.

These rods have been most favourabiy critized in the "American Angler" (the critic in this instance, of course, endeavours to trace the idea to a Yankee source), *The London Times*, *Evening News*, &c., and "The Naturalist Flyfisher," &c., &c.

Had we space, we might give many more highly favourable extracts from the reviews of our International Exhibits, from the leading London, New York, and other journals; but as we have no wish to weary the reader by needless repetitions, we pass on to a few reports from habitual users, which are fair samples of what are continually arriving from our clients everywhere.

EXTRACTS FROM UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS.

"Headingley, Leeds.

"That steel-centred Fly Rod you made for me gives very great satisfaction. I have killed fish this season with it which I know it would have been impossible to secure with an ordinary rod, and everybody who sees and handles it is much pleased.

"Sept. 21st, 1886. "C. J. BURTOFT."

"Wellgarth House, Armley, Leeds.

"I cannot speak too highly of the steel-centred rod you sent me, it is simply perfection—casting made easy.

"May 10th, 1885. "FRED HALL."

"83, Old Town Street, Plymouth.

"I had not the opportunity of trying your rods until last evening. At first I felt like the fellow in the "Beggar's Opera." "How happy could I be with either," &c. I liked both, but for different reasons I

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like the winch fittings on the wood rod, and I like the steel core and finish of the above. We have the largest pianoforte saloon in the West of England, so that I could give them a good trial with a line, one against the other. The wood rod would not throw more than 14 or 15 paces, while the other sent the line more than 18, with greater ease and perfectly straight. The question arises, If the steel core in the butt makes this difference, what is it with two joints steeled?

"April, 13th, 1885. "E. H. C. PROUT."

[From Later Letter.]

"The steel centred trout rod I had of you last season does its work very well indeed, and answers very well for spinning with the stiffer top.

"June 21st, 1886."

"Newport House, Eardisley, R.S.O.

"I find your rod with a steel centre very good, and that it throws a good line.

"March 9th, 1886. "W. F. TAYLOR."

From J. Harrington Keene, Author of the "Practical Fisherman," &c.

"The rod is a perfect little beauty.

"July 7th, 1883."

"Temeside Villas, Ludlow, Salop.

"The rod came to hand safely yesterday forenoon. I tried its virtues last night, and am exceedingly well pleased with it, as well as with the 'Acme Line' and flies. I shall have great pleasure in commending your manufactures to all my angling friends.

"J. W. HENRY SMYTH."

"Moor Street, Burton-on-Trent.

"I am well satisfied with that steel-centred rod you made for me.

"Feb. 21st, 1887. "J. HUNTER."

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"Brook House, Newcastle, Staffs.

"The rod is the best and nicest I have ever handled, and, notwithstanding its lightness, is extremely powerful. I shall always be pleased to recommend your rods.

"August 11th, 1884." "F. C. B. SAINSBURY.

"Downham Market, Norfolk.

"You may remember I purchased a salmon rod of you some two years since, it was one of your new steel-centred rods, *and I have found it everything I could wish.* I should now like to have a single-handed trout rod upon the same principle. Please send me several for selection.

"Feb. 14th, 1887." "CHAS. HAWKINS.

"Lloyds' Old Bank, Stafford.

"I was very much pleased with the steeled rod you sent me. I have shown it to many of my friends, who like it very much.

"W. St. GEORGE COLDWELL."

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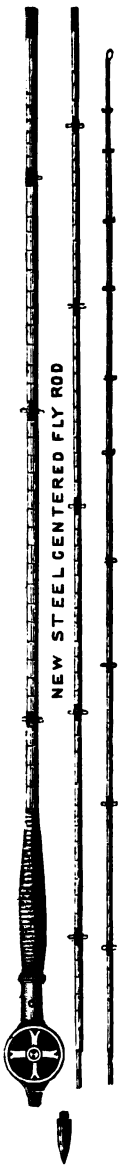
PRICE LIST OF STEELED FLY RODS.



Section 1, showing the method of Dovetailing Steel Centre in Greenheart Rods.

Section 2, showing the Treble-built Steel-Centred Cane Salmon Rods.

Section 3, showing Double-built Trout and Salmon Steel-Centred Cane Rods.

PRICES OF THE ORIGINAL STEEL-CENTRED FLY RODS.

NO.		s.	d.
717.	Best three-joint Fly Rod, stout steel bar in butt, with side-winch fittings, balance handle, two tops, best bronze mounts and finish, 9, 10½, 11, 11½, and 12 ft.	45	0
718.	Steel bar in butt and middle joints, &c., &c., 9 to 12 ft.	47	6
719.	Steeled butt, with centre-fitting winch (patent), as per illustration, two tops, &c., best finish, 9 to 12 ft....	53	6
720.	Steeled butt and middle joints, 9 to 12 ft.	62	6

If double-ringed, as shown on illustration, 3s. extra. If cane-bound handle, 3s. extra. If lock joints are added, 3s. 6d. extra. Patent, or with waterproof joints, 2s. 6d. extra. Steel standing rustless rings 2s. 9d. extra.

Any of the above may be fitted to a rod if required.

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STEEL-CENTRED, CANE-BUILT, GOLD MEDAL FLY RODS.

These rods have been awarded gold and highest awards at the London, Edinburgh, Liverpool, and other Exhibitions wherever exhibited.

They are guaranteed for two years to the purchaser.

No other cane-built, steel-centred rod in the market is guaranteed to last any specified time.

We know our productions to be reliable, we therefore give the guarantee note that accompanies each of our rods.

Cane-built Fly Rods, three joints, best material and workmanship, steel in butt and middle joints, bronzed metal mounts, with cork or cane covered handles.

721. 10 ft., 79s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 81s. 6d.; 11 ft., 84s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 87s. 6d.; 12 ft., 91s. 6d.

722. Ditto, ditto, with two tops, and steeled throughout, 10 ft., 93s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 95s. 6d.; 11 ft., 98s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 102s.; 12 ft., 105s.

723. Ditto, ditto, very best white metal mounts, spiral cap, screw, or bayonet lock joints, with cedar inlaid, pig skin, morocco, or cork covered or caned handles, weight from 9 to 12 oz., 10 ft., 98s.; 10½ ft., 102s.; 11 ft., 105s.; 11½ ft., 110s.; 12 ft., 117s. Revolving "Bickerdyke" rod tip ring 1s. 6d. extra. Grooved wood cases (in lieu of rod bag), 15s. extra. Name and address engraved on butt, 1s. 9d. extra. Fitted with upright rustless single rings (light and strong), 2s. 6d. extra.

724. Two-joint Built Cane Steel-centred Rods, with short "Prince Albert" Butt, best finished, 10½ and 11 ft., 63s.

725. Three-joint Built Cane ditto, with Greenheart Butt, best finished, 10, 10½, and 11 ft., 64s. 6d.

726. Ditto, with two long tops, 75s. 6d.

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DOUBLE BUILT CANE FLY RODS (SEE DIAGRAM ON PAGE 15) WITH STEEL CENTRES.

These rods are as near perfection as it is possible to bring them. They are the strongest and stiffest trout rods built, giving a greater casting power for weight over any and every description of rod for fly or surface fishing.

727. Prices, with all latest improvements as above referred to, including steel centre throughout, with the new patent waterproof joint ferrules, 10 ft., 172s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 176s.; 11 ft., 182s. 6d.; 11½ ft., 190s. 6d.; 12 ft., 195s.

SALMON AND SEA TROUT BUILT CANE STEEL-CENTRED GOLD MEDAL RODS.

728. All the following are warranted with the foregoing for two years. Three joints, best make and finish, with first quality metal mounts, double brazed, with either cork covered, cane, or leather bound handle, rubber butt end button, &c., &c. 13 ft., 91s. 6d.; 14 ft., 102s.; 15 ft., 122s.; 16 ft., 140s.; 17 ft. 149s.; and 18 ft., 160s.

729. Ditto, ditto, with two tops, and bayonet, screw cap, or "Internal Spiral" lock joints. 13 ft. 105s.; 14 ft., 110s.; 15 ft., 125s.; 16 ft., 137s.; 17 ft., 159s.; and 18 ft., 170s.

730. Ditto, first best build and finish, 13 ft. 120s.; 14 ft., 129s.; 15 ft., 140s.; 16 ft., 160s.; 17 ft., 180s.; and 18 ft., 195s. The last named range are fitted with all latest improvements.

731. Double-Built Cane, Steel-Centred Fly Rods. Same as No. 714, but double built, 13 ft., 197s. 6d.; 14 ft., 205s.; 15 ft., 210s.; 16 ft., 218s.; 17 ft., 227s. 6d.; and 18 ft., 237s.

732. Treble-Built ditto, for heavy Salmon and Masheer fishing, £4 per rod extra, with steel centre throughout, and all improvements. The Treble-Splice build of rod is light and excessively stiff, and strong for weight. These qualities are of the

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utmost service and utility to the user, seeing that greater strength is given with the least possible increase of weight and length.

STEEL-CENTRED BUILT CANE BEST BOTTOM RODS.

733. Built Cane Steel-Centred General Bottom Rods. Three joints, two tops, well built and finished with new safety upright rings, with either cork, waterproof braid bound, or pig skin handle, 10 ft., 76s.; 10½ ft., 83s.; 11 ft., 87s. 6d.: 11½ ft., 90s.; and 12 ft., 95s. Action either stiff, medium, or pliant.

734. Three-joint ditto, very superior quality, 10 ft., 79s.; 10½ ft., 89s. 6d.; 11 ft., 99s.; 11½ ft., 112s.; and 12 ft., 125s.

735. Ditto, ditto, in four joints, 10 ft., 89s. 6d.; 10½ ft., 104s.; 11 ft., 120s.; 11½ ft., 137s.; and 12 ft., 149s. 6d.

736. Three-joint best quality Spinning and General Built Cane Steel-Centred Rod, with best white metal mounts, steel rustless standing rings, lock joints (of either description previously referred to), two tops, cane, cork, or pig skin covered handle, any action wished, 10 ft., 98s.; 10½ ft., 102s.; 11 ft. 105s.; 11½ ft., 112s. 6d.; and 12 ft. 118s. Ditto for Salmon, Pike, Mahseer, &c., &c.

The following are made in different degrees of strength and consequent weight suitable for the particular kind of work they are intended for. Though a light rod of this kind will stand the heaviest angling test it is possible to subject them to in inland waters, still we like to supply precisely what our clients may wish to order, as when one gets accustomed, after years' habitual use, to a particular "play" of rod, it is difficult to suddenly fall into the handling of a more pliable or stiff tool. Extra lightness with an excess of power, however, always proves acceptable.

737. Three-joint rods, same quality, &c., as No. 711, with steel centre, 13 ft., 98s. 6d.; 14 ft., 102s.; 15 ft., 122s.; 16 ft., 140s.; 17 ft., 149s.; 18 ft., 160s.; and 20 ft., 195s.

738. Ditto in four joints, £1 extra.

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739. Three-joint ditto, with two tops and lock joints (bayonet, internal spiral or screw cap design), 13 ft., 105s.; 14 ft., 110s.; 15 ft., 125s.; 16ft., 137s.; 17 ft., 159s.; 18 ft., 170s.; 19 ft., 181s.; and 20 ft., 195s.

740. Ditto in four joints, 25s. extra.

741. Ditto, ditto, first best build and finish, 13 ft., 120s.; 14 ft., 129s.; 15 ft., 140s.; 16 ft., 160s.; 17 ft., 180s.; 18 ft., 197s.; 19 ft., 212s.; and 20 ft., 223s.

742. Double and Treble-Built Steel-Centred Salmon and Masheer Rods, three joints, best quality, same as No. 714, but double built as per section No. 3 on page 15, 13 ft., 157s. 6d.; 14 ft., 168s.; 15 ft., 175s.; 16 ft., 190s.; 17 ft., 205s.; 18 ft., 237s.; 19 ft., 250s.; and 20 ft., 260s. If treble-built for extra heavy work, with all extra improvements, price £4 extra.

743. Short Two-joint Cane-built Pike and Trolling Rods, steel centres, best build, 9 ft., 59s. 6d.; 9½ ft., 62s. 6d.; 10 ft., 65s.; 10½ ft., 67s. 6d.; and 11 ft., 70s. If double-built, £2 10s. extra.

The new centre winch is fitted to any cane-built rod at a cost of 14s. 6d. extra, trout size (*i.e.*, up to 2¼ inch reel), and 29s. 6d. salmon size (*i.e.*, up to a 3½ inch diameter reel, with a capacity of 120 yards salmon size of line). These latter are fixed to admit of there being a foot of hand room below the winch. A two handed rod thus has the reel in the middle of the handle, one hand being above and the other below the centre winch in use.

All the above Lake and Salmon Rods are guaranteed for two years.

We have not further space to devote to the publication of further Press extracts, &c., as we have a largely increased range of rods to catalogue this year, and many highly favourable notices that have appeared in the leading British and other sporting journals are crowded out.

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OUR BEST ALL WOOD SALMON AND LAKE TROUT FLY RODS.

No.

744. The "Ne Plus Ultra" Salmon Rod, three joints in Greenheart, first-class action and finish, long balanced or swell handle, cane, waterproof braid bound or cork covered. Double brazed, two tops, in case—13 ft., 31s. 6d.; 14 ft., 37s. 6d.; 15 ft., 43s. 6d.; 16 ft., 49s. 6d; 17 ft., 51s.; and 18 ft., 55s.

If name and address is engraved on butt, 1s. 9d. extra.

745. Three-joint Lake and Salmon Rods in Greenheart or Washaba, best built and finished, two tops, single brazed, gradual tapered butt, with rubber button or mushroom, in case—14 ft., 37s. 6d.; 15 ft., 39s. 6d.; 16 ft., 45s.; 17 ft., 49s. 6d.; 18 ft., 54s.; and 20 ft., 61s. 6d.

746. Ditto, double brazed ditto, with best solid winch fits metal lined, strongly built, and elegantly finished—14 ft., 41s. 6d.; 15 ft., 45s.; 16 ft., 49s. 6d.; 17 ft., 54s.; 18 ft., 58s. 6d.; 19 ft., 61s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 65s.

Butts bound with cork, cane, or leather, 3s. each extra.

FOSTER'S FAMOUS ALL GREENHEART SALMON AND LAKE TROUT FLY RODS.

BEST MATERIAL, BUILD, AND FINISH.

747. Three-joint rubber button, two tops, &c., in case—13 ft., 29s 6d.; 14 ft., 32s.; 15 ft., 34s. 6d.; 16 ft., 37s. 6d.; 17 ft., 39s. 6d.; 18 ft., 44s.; 19 ft., 49s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 55s.

748. Ditto, in four joints, 5s. each rod extra.

749. Castle Connell All Greenheart Rods, made from the most choice wood lengths in three joints, without splices, with solid winch fittings, double brazed, best build and finish, two tops in case

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—13 ft., 35s. 6d.; 14 ft., 38s. 6d.; 15 ft., 41s. 6d.; 16 ft., 45s.; 17 ft., 49s.; 18 ft., 52s. 6d.; 19 ft., 55s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 58s. 6d.

No.

750. Ditto, ditto, with plain winch fits and spliced joints, in lieu of ferrules—13 ft., 34s. 9d.; 14 ft., 37s. 6d.; 15 ft., 39s. 6d.; 16 ft., 44s.; 17 ft., 47s. 6d.; 18 ft., 51s. 6d.; 19 ft., 54s.; and 20 ft., 57s. 6d.

751. Ditto, ditto, single brazed, two tops, ferruled joints, best quality wood and workmanship, and best finish—13 ft., 29s. 6d.; 14 ft., 33s.; 15 ft., 36s. 6d.; 16 ft., 39s. 6d.; 17 ft. 44s.; 18 ft., 47s.; 19 ft., 49s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 53s. 6d.

752. Ditto, ditto, with one top—13 ft., 24s. 6d.; 14 ft., 28s.; 15 ft., 31s. 6d.; 16 ft., 34s. 6d.; 17 ft., 39s. 6d.; 18 ft., 42s.; 19 ft., 44s.; and 20 ft., 48s. 6d.

753. Best Tapered Butt Greenheart Salmon and Lake Trout Rods, two tops, three joints, best picked wood lengths, strongly made, and well finished with best bronzed metal mounts—13 ft., 27s. 6d.; 14 ft., 29s. 6d.; 15 ft., 32s.; 16 ft., 36s. 6d.; 17 ft., 41s. 6d.; 18 ft., 46s. 6d.; 19 ft., 49s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 52s.

754. Ditto, ditto, with one top—13 ft., 25s.; 14 ft., 27s. 6d.; 15 ft., 31s. 6d.; 16 ft., 34s. 6d.; 17 ft., 38s.; 18 ft., 41s. 6d.; 19 ft., 44s.; and 20 ft., 47s. 6d.

If steel standing rings are fitted to above, 2s. 6d. extra.

If lock joints are fitted to ferrule jointed rods, cost is 4s. 6d. extra.

755. Plain Quality Greenheart Salmon and Lake Fly Rods, single brazed, with one top, well made and finished—13 ft., 17s. 6d.; 14 ft., 19s. 6d.; 15 ft., 22s. 6d.; 16 ft., 26s. 6d.; 17 ft., 31s. 6d.; 18 ft., 36s. 6d.; and 19 ft., 39s. 6d.

If in four joints 5s. each rod extra.

756. Best Hickory Salmon and Sea Trout Rods. Well made in detail, carefully balanced, warranted best material and workmanship, three-joint fly rods, brazed metal mounts, best finished, winch fitted with mushroom termination—13 ft., 23s. 6d.; 14 ft.,

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25s. 6d.; 15 ft., 28s. 6d.; 16 ft., 31s. 6d.; 17 ft., 34s. 6d.; 18 ft., 39s.; 19 ft., 41s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 43s.

No.

757. Ditto, ditto, plain quality, well made and finished in every particular—13 ft., 16s. 6d.; 14 ft., 18s. 6d.; 15 ft., 21s. 6d.; 16 ft., 23s.; 17 ft., 25s. 6d.; 18 ft., 27s. 6d.; 19 ft., 29s. 6d.; and 20 ft., 33s.

The above are adapted for heavy and continuous wear, being made up from straight grain woods carefully chosen and free from blemish.

They are the best value at their respective prices offered.

SUPERIOR GENERAL RODS.

		s.	d.
758.	Three-joint Hickory, two tops, from choice wood, carefully selected, winch fitted, in bag	13	6
759.	Four-joint ditto, three tops, in case	15	6
760.	Ditto, best finish, bronzed mounts, &c.	18	6
761.	Four-joint Hickery, three tops, 14 ft., in case ...	12	6
762.	Better quality	16	0
763.	Best, in bronzed fittings, and in case	21	6
764.	Five-joint ditto, with three tops	26	6
765.	Four-joint ditto, with four tops	27	6

If fitted with solid upright rings, the above are 2s. 6d. extra.

BEST BARBEL RODS.

Superior Nottingham Style Rods, suitable for both Barbel, Bream, and Chub.

766.	Three-joints, good finish, and with reel fittings and upright rings, in strong case, 11 and 12 ft. long ... ... 6s. 6d. and	7	6
767.	Four-joint ditto, either stiff, medium, or pliant, a splendid little rod at the price	7	6
768.	Best quality Barbel rod, wood and workmanship perfection, with best fittings and case, &c.	10	6
769.	Three-joint ditto, very light, 10 to 12 ft.	9	6

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No.

770. Four-joint strong built rods, suitable for heavy work in fresh or salt water, with solid upright rings, best material and finish, from 11 to 14 ft. 17 6

771. Four-joint ditto, with three tops 24 6

BEST ROACH RODS.

The following are of best possible value at the prices quoted, they are very light, durable, and of good balance :—

No.

772. Three-joint bamboo, with lance top, ringed and brazed, 10 ft., 2s. 8d., 3s. 6d., 4s. 6d., and 5s.

773. Ditto, ditto, 12 ft., in four joints, 3s. 9d., 4s. 6d., and 5s. 9d.

774. Ditto, ditto, winch fitted, made with Japanese canes, upright rings, 10 ft., 4s. 6d.; 12 ft., 5s.; 14 ft., 5s. 9d.; and 16 ft., 9s.

775. Ditto, ditto, superior mounts and finish, 12 feet, 5s. 9d.; 14 ft., 7s.; and 16 ft., 9s. 9d.

776. Best Cane Roach Rod, up-rings, brazed and winch fitted, with bronzed metal mounts, in case, 7s.

777. Ditto, ditto, four joints, 8s. 6d.

778. Ditto, with two tops; three joints 8s. 6d., four joints 10s.

779. Best and lightest made Roach Rods, fitted with all latest improvements, steel upright rings, Bickerdyke rod tip ring, &c., &c., 18 to 20 ft., 24s. 6d., 28s. 6d., 31s. 6d., 35s., and 39s. 6d.

780. THREE-JOINT NOTTINGHAM PATTERN ROACH ROD, ringed and winch-fitted, 9 ft., 3s. 6d.; 10 ft., 4s. 6d.; 11 ft., 5s.; 12 ft., 5s. 6d.

781. Ditto, ditto, superior quality, 11 ft., 6s. 6d.; 12 ft., 7s. 6d.

782. Four joint ditto, best quality, 12 ft., 10s. 6d.

783. Ditto, ditto, with two tops and upright rings, 14s. 6d.

783A. Whole Japanese Canes, 14 to 18 ft., 1s. 9d. each.

783B. „ South Carolina Canes, 18 ft., 1s. 6d. and 2s. each.

783C. „ East India Mottled ditto, 18 ft., 2s. 3d., 2s. 8d., and 3s. each.

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PIKE TROLLING AND SHORT BOAT RODS, IN HICKORY AND GREENHEART.

No.		s.	d.
784.	Two-joint Jack Rod, upright rings, brazed, well made and finished, 9 ft.	5	6
785.	Three-joint, ditto, 10 ft.	6	9
786.	Two-joint ditto, winch-fitted, 9 ft.	7	6
787.	Three-joint ditto	8	6
788.	Two-joint ditto, best finished, in case	10	6
789.	Three-joint ditto	11	9
790.	Four-joint ditto, 10, 11, and 12 ft.	13	0
791.	Three-joint ditto, East Indian Cane, 12 ft.	11	6
792.	Four-joint ditto	14	6
793.	Four-joint ditto, with two tops	15	6
794.	Three-joint ditto, fitted with solid upright or rustless steel up-rings, with rubber button at butt, and elegantly finished in detail, 10 to 12 ft. ...	26	6
795.	Four-joint ditto	29	6

SPARE TOP JOINTS, FLY OR SPINNING.

	Short Spinning.	2 ft.	3 ft. 6 in.	3 ft. 8 in.	3 ft. 10 in.	Long Fly. 4 ft. 6 in.	5 ft. & over.
796.	Best Lance.....	1/-&1/6	2/4	2/8	3/-	3/6	4/-
797.	Greenheart.....	1/9	3/-	3/6	3/9	4/6	5/0
798.	Do. double brazed	2/3	3/9	4/6	4/9	5/0	5/6
799.	Washaba.....	2/-	3/3	3/6	3/9	5/8	6/6
800.	Do. double brazed	2/-	3/10	4/8	4/10	6/3	6/9
801.	Built Cane ditto...	7/6	11/6	13/-	14/0	16/6	17/6
802.	Best quality ditto	8/6	12/6	14/-	15/3	19/6	21/6

If made with rustless steel upright rings 6d. extra.

A FEW HINTS RE RODS.

The following golden rules we commend to the notice of possessors of built and other best rods :—

1. Never leave a wet case upon a rod after use.
2. Keep the rod in a dry place.

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3. Grasp the joints near the ferrules when fixing or unfixing same.

4. If the joints or parts stick obstinately together after having been used wet, hold a light under the fast ferrules until steam issues therefrom, when they may be parted with ease.

5. Lastly, when the season is over, see to the rods having ragged wrappings and missing rings replaced, and a good protecting coat of water-repelling varnish being given if at all needed.

A moderately careful adhering to above simple rules will enable a good rod to withstand wear and tear almost everlastingly.

ON THE CHOICE OF A ROD.

From the *Scientific Angler*.

The Rod forms the first subject for attention; the winch, or reel and line being next chosen, with a view to the harmonious working of the whole, the reel to balance, and the line to suit the "play" of the tool. This is of the most vital importance. The Rod, Reel, and Line should be well adapted to act perfectly and in concert with each other. We have already pointed out the inconvenience and disaster arising from the common practice of employing implements totally incapable of working together evenly. The length of a rod, as is now well-known, has very little to do with the distance it can be made to cast the fly; the casting powers entirely depend on the pliancy and strength.

The result of our investigations is, that a combination of the best metal and the best wood, would, if arranged correctly, and in right proportions, be an advance in a desirable direction. We therefore had a rod made of the very best of strong woods, with a *fine bevilled steel centre*, and this proved when, after some alterations, it was completed, to bear out the hopes conceived in respect to it. We had been enamoured of this idea theoretically, practically it gives every promise of ultimately meriting the pains and researches we bestowed upon it.

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LINES.

THE ORIGINAL "INDESTRUCTIBLE" WATERPROOF SILK,

AND THE

NEW IMPROVED METAL CENTRED "ACME" LINES.

MORE than forty years have elapsed since the Eight-plait Waterproof Silk Line was first invented. Its use has become in the meantime almost universal. The success of the original waterproof line—as is the case with all genuine improvements—has been the signal for the launching of numerous, more or less unsatisfactory, imitations. In this instance they invariably fail on the score of durability. This, owing to the fact of their having been steeped in some deleterious mixture,* which, if it does not entirely rot the silk in a few months, will be owing to its having been rubbed or "spelched" from the line by the friction of the rings and the action of the water before that operation could be thoroughly effected.

The original waterproof dressing, first introduced by the late David Foster, in conjunction with the late Henry White, Professor of Chemistry, wears almost indefinitely, and since the principle of plaiting sixteen silk strands in lieu of half that number has been introduced, their wear-and-tear resisting qualities have been increased. To distinguish from the host of unreliable imitations, the original line is now termed the "Indestructible."

Our recent development of the above is the "Improved Sixteen-plait Double Dressed Acme," which line has a very fine gimp core, which is gilded to avoid all possibility of corrosion, and is in

* The prevailing practice is to boil the silk in a seething compound of oils, &c.

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turn silk centred. By this means *just sufficient* metal is introduced into the line's centre, out of the way of all friction. It is used in an annealed state, and is simply unbreakable. So convinced are we, after some years' trial of the durability of the new line, that we supply on this unprecedented condition :—

Cash to be refunded or duplicate line supplied if line be not deemed satisfactory after twelve months' wear.

As the "Improved Acme" is equally adapted for fly, spinning, and bottom-fishing, the above condition of purchase is extended to all lines supplied for either sea or freshwater fishing.

A great advantage of the "Acme" is the ease with which a line can be got out. Being but little more than half the thickness of an old style line, though equally strong, it cuts through an opposing breeze and delivers the cast-off line with precision at long distances. The habitual user of a silk and hair line *especially*, will almost invariably cast many yards further with the "Acme," with extreme lightness and precision.

In spinning, and in fly, midwater, and bottom fishing, there is an absence of "curls" or "kinks," owing to the line being the requisite medium between stiffness and limpness.

On perusing the declared opinions of several of the leading living authorities, extracts from whose writings are appended, it will be observed that another chief point of superiority in the "Acme," in addition to the greatly increased casting powers that are extended to the user, is that of freedom from tangling, which hitherto has played havoc, at critical moments, with the fisherman's "time, temper, and tackle." These alone, it will be obvious to both tyro and proficient, are improvements as important as they are original. A practical trial, however, alone can convey an adequate notion of the full value of the improved line.

With this brief echo of the avowed opinions of the habitual users of the line described, we commend the "Improved Acme" to the attention of every individual interested in piscatorial pursuits.

D. & W. H. FOSTER.

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CERTIFICATES.

The following testimony is printed as being typical of the general verdict:—

From "The Fishing Gazette" of August 28th, 1880.

THE NEW "ACME" LINES.

From a long article covering three-parts of a page we reprint the following:—

"Messrs. Foster, the well-known fishing tackle makers, have sent us one of their new 'Acme' lines; we have examined it carefully, and tried it with a rod, and are delighted with it. It is the line of lines for the fly-fisher. It is strong enough to kill the strongest trout that ever lived, and yet it is as fine as the very finest of fly-fishing could require; but strength and fineness are nothing new, and if these were its only merits, we should not feel justified in calling attention to it. It has another quality, however, which is quite new, and one which every fly-fisher will appreciate directly we mention it, and that is weight. Successful fly-fishing on most of our English streams depends greatly on the angler's powers to throw a long line in *any* direction, either with, or across, or most important of all, against the wind, or when there is none at all. To do this requires a strong wrist, and a thorough command of the rod. . . How often have we, when wading up the side of a deep river, come to a place where, on account of projecting bushes, it was impossible to get past. The wind is blowing steadily down stream; a few yards above, and just away from the bushes, a good trout is feeding, the line is let out to the required length, a few casts across are made, and then, carefully, the upstream throw, in the direction of the desired spot is attempted; but the line falls short, the gossamer gut and fine reel line have no weight, and the wind steadily overcomes their forward impetus before they have fully extended, and they fall back limply on the water. The throw is repeated again and again; the tops of the wading stockings are dangerously near the edge of the water; as a last resource, more line is let out, more strength

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exerted, and at last, overcoming all resistance, the line falls with a splash right over the fish, and effectually finishes that chance of a rise which has been diminishing, if not already lost, by the previous thrashing.

"But our readers will say we are letting out too much line, and so we will wind up by describing how and why the 'Acme' line would have enabled us at the first attempt to get the line lightly over the trout. Twisted and interwoven with the plaited silk line is a very fine strand of copper wire, so that it almost needs a magnifying glass to see it. It is the addition of this wire, and principally the manner in which it is added to the line, which gives it a greater value in our eyes than any other line we have ever seen. . . Messrs. Foster are themselves thoroughly practical anglers, and we wish them every success in their endeavours to improve the angler's weapons."

From "The Fishing Gazette," December 20th, 1884.

"Re the Improved 'Acme' Pike Line. We used a similar (though smaller) line the greater part of last fly-fishing season, and were very much pleased with it. We have had no opportunity of trying the pike line yet; but have no hesitation in saying it will be found thoroughly reliable in every way."

From "The Fishing Gazette," September 5th, 1885.

"Messrs. Foster Brothers regret their inability to be present at the Tournament on account of pressure of business; but they kindly send 120 yards of their splendid 'Improved Acme' trout line. We were using one of these last Saturday on the Darenth, one that has been in use over twelve months, and consider that it was chiefly owing to its good casting qualities that we got any fish, as there was a most unpleasant 'fish tail' gale blowing all day."

From "The Fishing Gazette," September 19th, 1885.

"Acme," a writer in the above journal dating from Lough Conn, Ballina, says:—"With the fly I have used a 'No. 0' Acme line, both for grilse and trout, and shall in future use no other. For accuracy, facility for casting in wind, and for strength, I know no line to compare with them."

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From "The Field," August 14th, 1880.

NEW FLY LINE.

"The Messrs. Foster have sent us a specimen of their new trout line; this is the sixteen plait silk dressed line, with a very fine annealed wire plaited through it. . . We therefore gave the line a trial, and after an experience of several days' angling, we find that the freedom from tangling is fully sustained, and it becomes quite a relief to fish with. It is not appreciably heavier than any other line, while it throws very straight and true, and cuts well through the wind, capabilities which all anglers of any experience know well how to appreciate. Of its wear and tear qualities, of course, we cannot speak without experience, but we are informed they may be relied on. Altogether, so far as we have tried it, the line is certainly an improvement, and if it stands long use, it is a very great one."

From "The Field," August 16th, 1884.

"We have received from Messrs. Foster samples of the newest 'Acme' patent lines, which, as anglers who have used them well know, consist of fine copper wire ingeniously worked into the silk. The 'Acme' lines have been so long before the public, and their merits have been so proven, that it is not necessary to make any remark about the general article. Messrs. Foster, however, have introduced into the market sixteen plait waterproof dressed lines for both fly and spinning. These are of the 'Acme' description, and are, so far as we can judge from a casual trial, faultless."

After twelve months' use of above, the same writer (W. Senior, Esq., angling editor to journal last quoted), under date January 4th, 1886, writes: "I never had a better line than the new 'Acme' you sent me."

From "Land and Water," August 28th, 1880.

THE NEW "ACME" WIRE LINE.

"Mr. Foster is the inventor of several important improvements in fishing tackle, notably the eight-plaited waterproof fly lines,

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which have been in use for these thirty years; the good qualities of which, doubtless, most of our readers are aware. From what we have seen of Mr. Foster's new invention, we have little doubt the new 'Acme' line will very shortly be in general use. . . . From our trials of the 'Acme' line it appears to possess great advantages over the ordinary lines. It is much easier to cast, for you can get it much further away, a fact which we satisfactorily proved when throwing against a pretty stiff wind. The line has a good spring, and, what is of great importance, is not given to tangle. One knows how vexatious this is with some lines. The 'Acme,' although it occupies much less space on the reel than the ordinary prepared silk lines, is nevertheless fully as strong."

From "Bell's Life."

THE NEW "ACME" FLY AND SPINNING LINES.

"The difference between the 'Acme' and other lines consists in the new notion of having a very fine strand of copper wire worked in the plait. This is done to obviate the nuisance of 'kinking,' as well as to give greater weight and power to the line when cast in the teeth of an opposing wind. . . We have given it a good trial, and are bound to add that we are highly pleased with the easy, clean way in which a fairly heavy bait can be thrown. 'No. oo' should make a splendid line for Thames trout fishing. It is said to bear a dead strain of twelve pounds weight."

In a limited space it is impossible for us to print extracts from all the numerous reviews that have been given of the new line, by responsible angling editors. We reprint a few paragraphs which fairly sample the whole. The same statement applies also to the correspondence.

Amongst other leading journals the "Acme" line has been lengthily noticed by the *Austrian Sporting Times*, in an editorial of five columns; the *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News*; the *Austrian Sporting Times* (six columns); and by other English, American, and Continental notable authorities.

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The following are a few extracts from letters from our own correspondents, the originals of which can be seen on application; also from recently published letters :—

"Thornford, Sherborne, Dorset,
"September 22nd, 1885.

"Gentlemen,

"In the early spring I purchased from you one of your 'Acme' trout lines. I have given the line a very severe trial on river and loch with fly, and even spinning. I have killed grilse and heavy loch trout, and once a pike over 10 lbs. on the line, and I am satisfied there are no lines yet made to equal them.

"Yours truly,
"ALEX. D. CLAY,
"MAJOR-GENERAL.

"Messrs. Foster."

Extract from a letter published in the *Fishing Gazette*, March 30th, 1886 :—

"On another occasion I landed a salmon with one of the lightest makes. . . . . The 'Acme' line will go straight from the rod in the teeth of a gale; and as for wear—well, I'll never, I believe, use any other now. I only wish these lines had been known to me long ago, as they are simply perfection. I prefer a line without any taper, and add a spliced taper gut cast between the line and casting-line. If the tackle-maker who supplies a line is a practical fisherman, and knows the strength of your rod, he will easily give a proper weight of line to balance the rod. You will never throw a bulky, heavy line with a supple rod, nor a light line with a stiff rod. The 'Acme' supplies a decided want—weight and fineness combined, and a light rod can be used with them.

"I am, &c.,
"JAMES MACNEE.

"Bohally, Pitlochry."

"21, South Sutton Place, Cardiff.

"The 'Acme Line' I find as good as I was led to suppose it would be. There is no difficulty *now* in getting a straight line on the water.

"W. H. BURROW.

"April 22, 1883."

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"The Lower School, Uppingham,
"March 23rd, 1885.

"The 'Acme Lines' I have had from you please me very much, and also others to whom I have recommended them.

"(The Rev.) W. VALE BAGSHAW."

"6, Mansfield Street,
"Portland Place, London, W.

"Please send me some patterns of your 'Acme Lines.' I bought two from you some years ago, and they answered remarkably well.

"EDWARD COLEGRAVE.

"10th June, 1885."

"Llwyngwern, Tantperthog, R.S.O.,
"Merionethshire.

"You are right in thinking the line sent last year was No. 1. I have the line now, and it is as good as new. The line, however, is a little too strong for my lightest rod. I therefore want you to kindly send me one a size smaller.

"W. J. MORRIS
"(COLONEL).

"4th June, 1885."

"Ivy Cottage, Knutsford.

"Mr. Buxton wishes Messrs. Foster to inform him if he can obtain another line of the same dressing as enclosed sample, which was waterproofed by the late Mr. Foster's process in 1865. On this something like 1,500 salmon have been killed. 100 yards length is wanted, precise to pattern.

"March 16th, 1887."

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39, Vyse Street, Birmingham.

"Dear Sirs,

"I have personally given the centre wire line three good trials, and am pleased to advise you I consider them in every respect the best I ever tried. In spinning I could throw any requisite distance without the nuisance of the line snarling. In point of strength the centre wire 'Acme' is equal to landing the strongest pike that ever broke gimp. I consider your lines the best in the market.

"Yours very sincerely,

"JAMES GREGORY."

(PRESIDENT OF THE MIDLAND PISCATORIAL ASSOCIATION.)

(*Extract.*)

October 13th, 1885.

"The 'Acme Line' works splendidly. I only wish I had tried one before.

"E. GOSLING."

(*Extract.*)

"Trelaske, Launceston, Cornwall,

"February 26th, 1884.

"I like the 'Acme' line I had from you last year better every day.

"CHAS. ARCHER."

"2, Priory Buildings, Cheltenham,

"February 20th, 1885.

"Please send per return (as I start for the States about Monday next) 100 yards No. 3 Metal Centre 'Acme Line,' I want it for pike; also send 30 yards of fine trout size to *match* enclosed scrap. This is off one of your lines which I bought from you some two years ago. It is still in good order, and has given me every satisfaction.

"Yours truly,

"L. Q. KERMODE."

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"Kinder Bank, Hayfield, near Stockport,
"November 17th, 1885.

"Dear Sirs,

"*Re* your 'Acme Line,' it is, indeed, all that can be required. I thought I could throw a line as well and as clean as most people before, but I was certainly surprised at myself with the 'Acme.' I was fishing mostly against the wind when I found it invaluable. Another property I found was that, in casting *across* a stream to the other side, the line appeared to *cut* the stream and to allow the cast of flies to float, instead of, as usual, the water pulling the line at once, and consequently dragging the flies with it. I shall never fish with any other line.

"Yours truly,

"Messrs. Foster Bros." "WM. P. GIBB.

"Haughton-le-Skerne,
"July 9th, 1884.

"I was lately trying your 'Acme Line' against an ordinary hair and silk line, and found that the result was greatly in favour of the 'Acme.' I made the trial on a gravel walk, and found that with the 'Acme' I could throw much straighter and much further with a shorter length of line out.

"THOS. R. SUMMERSON."

"Staplestown House, Carlow,
"January 18th, 1887.

"I shall shortly be getting some more of your beautiful line. I have for years been in search of a good spinning line, and though I tried all the most expensive kinds, none of them stood a month's work. Yours, after all last season, is as good as ever, and will begin again this day fortnight, weather permitting. Mr. G. Fishbourne is quite as well pleased with his.

"FRANCIS FISHBOURNE."

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"Inland Revenue, Cockermouth,
"November 19th, 1886.

"I may add that your salmon and trout lines in use in this neighbourhood have had an exhaustive trial, and they are the objects of envy and admiration to the less fortunate fishermen."

[Later letter.]

"January 8th, 1887.

"To praise your lines is superfluous.

"F. WILSON."

"Fernleigh, Red Hill, Surrey,
"June 21st, 1886.

"I think no line throws so straight or runs so easily through the rings as yours.

"G. E. SPECKENWELL."

"Douro House, Wellington Road,
"Edgbaston, Birmingham,
"October 29th, 1886.

"Be good enough to send me seventy or eighty yards of 'Acme Line' for pike fishing on receipt of this, as I wish to use it on Monday. The lines I had from you some three years ago I have found very satisfactory.

"FRED. J. LESLIE."

"The Canadian Senate, Ottawa, Ontario,
"August 2nd, 1886.

"I have used your 'Acme Lines' since 1882, getting them from S. Maltby, of Montreal. They are certainly the best I know of for salmon and trout fly-fishing, and unequalled for casting in a heavy wind. The dressing takes a fine polish (this is the strong point of the American enamelled lines), and wears to the

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very last. This season they have met with great approval from some American gentlemen fishing with me. Maltby's stock usually consists of but a few lines all of one size. I cannot now get the sizes I want, and do not know how the numbers run. Moreover, I am curious to see your improvements. I should be much obliged if you would send me samples.

"J. G. AYLWIN CREIGHTON."

[Later letter.]

"October 12th, 1886.

"I am much obliged for the catalogues and samples of 'Acme Line' you sent. Some friends to whom I have shown the latter, and who saw the capital working of the 'Acme Lines' I had in use, are so much pleased that they join in my order. Will you be good enough to send me by parcel post 640 yards in sizes . . . Cheque enclosed.

"J. G. AYLWIN CREIGHTON."

"59, Mark Lane, London, S.E.,

"August 26th, 1886.

"I am still using the 'Acme Line' you sent me two or three years since, and it is almost as good as when new.

"J. I. P. PECHEY."

"Chester Villa, Chertsey Road,

"Clifton, Bristol,

"July 15.

"The 'Acme Line,' No. 00, I got from you a short time ago has proved to be very good. I have caught over 200 fish with it, some large ones, and it is as good as ever.

"GEORGE A. CUYLER

"(COLONEL)."

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"120, Beaufort Street,
"South Kensington, S.W.,
"April 5th, 1886.

"I consider your 'Acme Lines' with wire centre to be very far the best I have ever used. I gave one some very hard work last season, both in fresh and brakish water, and it is now as good as ever. As soon as I return to Devonshire I shall give you an order for another rather stouter, for using with a stiff rod in throwing against the wind. You can make what use you like of this letter.

"E. GOSLING."

"Mill House, Cumberland Road, Bristol,
"October 7th, 1886.

"Some time ago I had one of your trout 'Acme Lines,' I think No. 0, as you will see by sample enclosed. It has been the very best line I ever used, in fact quite a treat to use after the samples one gets nowadays. For it is only by chance a good line is very occasionally met with.

"FRANK ROBBINS."

"4, Lennon Street, Edinburgh,
"October 23rd, 1884.

"The line is perfect.

"GENERAL R. WARDEN."

"Roslin Road, Crookesmoor, Sheffield,
"May 6th, 1884.

"I have thoroughly tried the line you sent me, and I must say it is really extremely good.

"H. BARBER."

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"Ystradwrallt, Nantcaredig, R.S.O.,
"Carmarthenshire,
"November 23rd, 1886.

"I am very pleased indeed with the 'Acme Salmon Line' I had of you this summer, and feel sure a better kind of line could not be used. "ANTONY W. J. STOKES."

"Knap Hill,
"October 16th, 1886.

"The line I had from you ('Acme,' No. 0) answered very well; it is a pleasure to cast a fly with it.

"J. W. ASHHAM."

"Barle Cottage, Dulverton, Somerset,
"16th March, 1886.

"The 'Acme' reel line obtained from you this time last year is as good, if not better, than ever, perfectly smooth and sound; I would use no other. Brother fishermen, to whom I have shown and recommended it, say it has no equal in England or the States.

"B. C. MARSHALL, JUN."

An extract from "The Trout and How to Catch it." Published during 1885 *in "The Boy's Own Paper."*

"The 'Acme' metallic centre line made by the Messrs. Foster, I believe to be the best line in the market. It is not clumsy as regards size, nor is it too light. The pressure of the fine gimp in the core gives it increased facility for casting, which makes it a very pleasant and easy line to fish with. By all means get an 'Acme' in preference to a cheap and unreliable imitation.

"J. HARRINGTON KEENE."

(Author of the "Practical Fisherman," "Fishing Tackle and How to Make it," &c.)

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Extract from "Trout Fishing," by Thomas Ford. This little work can be supplied post free at the publisher's price, viz., 1s.

"I have recently had an opportunity of testing the new 'Acme' line brought out by the Messrs. Foster. This line unites weight, strength, and durability. To the fly fisher it will be simply invaluable, and must inevitably supersede the use of hair lines, which so soon become untrustworthy. Of course such an article is a little dearer at the outset, but it will in the long run more than compensate by the extra properties it possesses."

Extract from unsolicited testimonial from R. B. Marston, Esq., Editor "Fishing Gazette."

"London, May 5th, 1885.

"I have used the 'New Improved Acme Line' last season and this, and find it a vast improvement on the 'Acme Line' as first brought out by you. You have got hold of an **A1** line, and an **A1** dressing for it."

Letter published in the "Fishing Gazette" from the Editor of the "Field."

"March 27th, 1886.

"Sir,

"The fault, no doubt, is mine, for not amplifying my explanation, when, as our good friend Mr. Cholmondeley Pennell in his interesting article in the *Fishing Gazette* of Saturday says, I gave him my experience of lines through which wire was passed. That experience was solely with reference to wire spirally twisted. An American line I have in especial remembrance at this moment—green, with bronze spiral wire—which was a fraud from beginning to end. My experience of the lines with a wire centre is quite another thing, and it is confined to the 'Acme' of Messrs. D. & W. H. Foster. On receiving sample lengths in their trade circular I put the ends under a strong magnifying glass, and they

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looked so much like business that I ordered a line that will do for light salmon or pike spinning (No. 1), and another for trout fishing (No. 00). This was two seasons ago. I have used both lines hard ever since, and they appear to be quite good for the chances of 1886. They are, in short, the best lines I ever had. I feel bound to trouble you with this friendly correction.

"W. SENIOR."

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SIZES AND PRICES OF IMPROVED ACME METAL-CENTERED 16-PLAIT SILK LINES.

Best Quality, No. 000, 2d. per yard		2nd Quality Silk. 1½d. per yard.
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,, 5, 3d. per yard		,, 2½d. per yard.
,, 6, 3½d. per yard		,, 3d. per yard.
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Tapd. Trout, Nos. 2 to Finest (Single or Dbl.) 2½d. per yard.		Tapd., Nos 2 to 000, 2d. per yard.
Fine Salmon, Nos. 4 to 1, 3d. per yard.		Tapd., Nos. 4 to 1, 2½d. per yard.
Strong Salmon, Nos. 6 to 2, 4d. per yard.		Tapd., Nos. 6 to 2, 3½d. per yard.

SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF PENNELL'S PATENT WHIPLASH TAPERED LINES.

Price, without metal centre, Trout sizes	2½d. per yard.
,, with metal centre	3d. ,,
,, Salmon, with metal centre	3½d. ,,
,, ,, non-metallic	3d. ,,

All the above are usually Stocked by us. Other Tapers, &c., made to order.

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NON-METALLIC SILK PLAIT LINES.

The following facts, the result of an experience of over forty years, enables us to guarantee the "Indestructible" to be the most durable and reliable dressed line produced. It is the original Waterproofed line; and were it not transcendently superior in every way to its numerous more or less unreliable imitations, silk-dressed lines would long ere this have been discredited and discarded by practical men everywhere.

It is dressed to the core.

The waterproof dressing always adheres to the line (which thus never needs redressing), and is found to wear smooth with hard wear and friction. The preparation gives just exactly the medium grade of limpness required. The line is thus left the needful weight without stiffness, and is strengthened and protected to resist the action of the continuous friction of the rod rings, and that of the water, for an indefinite length of time. These lines are almost invariably used until they become too short (by knot-making, &c.,) for further service.

Both in price, quality, and sterling value for cash, the original Indestructible is found to be much superior to any and every other make—which for the most part are surface-dressed only—without a single exception.

The following sample certificates are by no means isolated ones. Such have been constantly—for the past 35 years—and *are* being, in increased numbers, received by us :—

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"The Lower School,
"Uppingham.

"Dear Sirs,

'I shall be much obliged if you will send to me, at the above address, by return of post, two of your excellent 'Waterproof Silk Lines.' I have had one in use for ten or twelve years, and have found them exceedingly good.

"Yours very truly,
"REV. W. VALE BAGSHAW."

"Arbuthnott House,
"Fordoun, N.B.

"Sirs,

"Enclosed is a bit of salmon silk line, which I got from you very many years since, and which is in every respect the best I ever had. The line has done a deal of hard work, and is now quite used up, there being only about 40 yards left. Be so good as to send me another of exactly the same *weight* and *make*, and let me know the price, and a P.O.O. shall be sent by return of post.

"Yours obediently,
"ARBUTHNOTT.
(Viscount).

"To Mr. Foster."

"Sirs,

"I have got the line all right, and send enclosed a P.O.O. for the same. It is, as you say, not the exact size of the sample. When you are making your lines, pray keep one for me *exactly the same in every way as the old*, for it is certainly the very best I ever had; in fact, quite perfect in every way, and allowed to be so by many good judges.

"Yours faithfully,
"ARBUTHNOTT."

"Clifton, Ashbourne.

"Dear Sir,

"Please send me a new line to enclosed sample, which is part of a line I have used for near upon 30 years now. It is one of your 'Indestructible' Silk Waterproof Lines, which are undoubtedly far away superior to any other lines sold. "THOS. WM. SMITH."

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"Dear Sirs,

"Please post to me one dozen more of your 'Indestructible' Silk Waterproof Lines. I have been a fishing tackle maker for a very long period, and also a practical fly-fisher for between 60 and 70 years. During that time I have had opportunities of testing lines for fly-fishing made by the best makers, but I have never met with any so good and durable, and so pleasant to use, as the above, as they never curb or twist when thrown out or drawn up, though ever so rapidly, through the rings of the rod; they, moreover, cast very straight and neat on the water, and vary but little in point of weight, either in or out of the water, which is a decided advantage over silk and hair lines, either twisted or plaited, both being apt to recoil, twist, and curl until *thoroughly wet.* Your lines have always given my patrons the greatest satisfaction, and I with confidence feel a pleasure in recommending them, and

"I remain, yours most sincerely,

"SAMUEL HEMING."

SAMPLES AND PRICES OF THE "INDESTRUCTIBLE" 8 AND 16 PLAIT SILK LINES.

For guide to sizes corresponding with the following Nos., see page 42.

No. 000 size.	No. 00 size.	No. 0 size.	No. 1 size.	No. 3 size.	No. 4 size.	No. 5 size.	"Gossamer" Silk Line for Roach and Live Bait.
Price of Nos. 000 to 0, 1s. 6d. per score yds.			1 to 3, 2s.		4 and 5 2d. per yd.		1s. 3d. per score yds. Waterproof, 1s. 6d.

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"54, Donnisthorpe Street,
"West Bowling, Bradford,
"July 12th, 1885.

"Gentlemen,

"Please send me half-dozen more 'Gossamer' Lines per next post (50 yards); my customers find these the finest and best lines they have yet used for live bait, and for roach fishing, &c., &c. They are less liable to suffer from heavy and constant use than the more loosely plaited, and consequently less compact ordinary fine lines.

"Yours, &c.,
"J. W. SAGAR."

"Newport Road,
"Moseley, Worcestershire.

"Dear Sirs,

"The lines I have had from you have given me every satisfaction; pray send me more samples for my friends, who are anxious to get similar. Both the 'Indestructible' and the finer lines are much liked by all who have seen and tried them.

"Yours faithfully,
"HENRY EDWARDS.

Mr. J. P. Wheeldon, Angling Editor of "Bell's Life," says:—

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RANGE OF REELS.

Best Bronzed Outside Pillar Reels. These reels are the lightest metal reels made. They will hold more line, for size, than any other side-fitting winch. The bobbin, or line holder, coming to the extreme edge of the side plates of the reel, every atom of space is utilized.

Best Quality Solid Reel Plate, steel internal fittings; revolving plate.

NO.						s.	d.
803.	2-in. diameter	...	...	...	...	11	6
804.	2¼-in. ,,	...	...	...	...	12	6
805.	2½-in. ,,	...	...	...	...	13	6
806.	2¾-in. ,,	...	...	...	...	14	6

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NO.		s.	d.
807.	3-in. diameter	16	6
808.	3¼-in. „	18	9
809.	3½-in. „	21	6
810.	3¾-in. „	23	6
811.	4-in. „	25	6
812.	4¼-in. „	27	6
813.	4½-in. „	29	6

If with double rollers for line to run between, as in illustration, 4s. 6d. extra.

If nickel plated 2s. 6d. extra.

Best Bronzed Composite Reels, constructed in part of ebonite, and partly of bronzed brass.

These reels are excessively light; they are also durable and strong; they will stand a heavy fall without danger of being knocked "out of true," which is more than can be said of the usual run of ebonite reels; the superiority is in the material used, as well as in the workmanship.

		s.	d.
814.	2-in. best quality, revolving plate, metal (German silver) rim	7	6
815.	2¼-in. ditto	8	9
816.	2½-in. ditto	10	0
817.	2¾-in. ditto	11	6
818.	3-in. ditto	13	0

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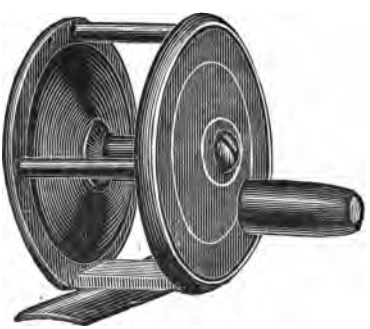
NO.		s.	d.
819.	3¼-in. ditto	14	9
820.	3½-in. ditto	16	6
821.	3¾-in. ditto	18	9
822.	4-in. ditto	23	6
823.	4¼-in. ditto	26	0
824.	4½-in. ditto	29	6

Best Quality Bronzed Winches, with revolving plate, steel check action, &c., as per Illustration on preceding page.

825.	2-in. diameter	8	6
826.	2¼-in. ,, ...	9	0
827.	2½-in. ,, ...	9	6
828.	2¾-in. ,, ...	10	0
829.	3-in. ,, ...	11	6
830.	3¼-in. ,, ...	13	6
831.	3½-in. ,, ...	15	9
832.	3¾-in. ,, ...	17	6
833.	4-in. ,, ...	19	6
834.	4¼-in. ,, ...	23	0
835.	4½-in. ,, ...	26	6

SECOND QUALITY BRONZED REELS.



Above are thoroughly adapted for heavy wear, and are *really good articles*, superior to many sold as of best quality. They are the *best value* offered at the prices quoted.

36.	2-in. Revolving Plate, with check and solid reel plate...	4	3

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NO.						s.	d.
837.	2¼-in.	Revolving	Plate,	with check	and solid reel plate	4	6
838.	2½-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	5	6
839.	2¾-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	6	6
840.	3-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	8	0
841.	3¼-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	9	6
842.	3½-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	11	0
843.	3¾-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	12	9
844.	4-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	14	9
845.	4¼-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	16	6
846.	4½-in.	,,	,,	,,	...	18	9

THE NEW CENTRE FITTING WINCH.

REGISTERED.

Compensating balance, centre fitting, detachable by spring action.

Some five years have now elapsed since the original of the above design of reel appeared, during which time, mainly by its merits (since until the last few months or so we have not advertised it, other than placing same in our own lists, &c.), it has gradually gained favour. All who use it like it, and recommend its use to their friends, hence its growing popularity. There are so many advantages entailed in the adoption of the centre winch, that, given they are once grasped by the uninitiated, its ultimate universal adoption is sure. Habitual users aver that the climax of perfection has been reached, *re* reels, in the above. Being "skeletoned," they are *lighter* than any metal side fitting winch hitherto introduced. A few of the advantages entailed by its use are these :—

1.—The strain upon the fly rod is by its use no longer given in one direction. The winch being in the centre, the rod may be used rings uppermost, or *vice versa*, at the owner's discretion.

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2.—The position of the reel at the extremity of the butt gives an additional 9 to 12 inches swing power and length to the rod, serving also to happily *balance* and effectually harmonise the two detachable implements.

3.—The winch being devoid of cross bars, indispensable in the old reels, is rendered capable of holding a much greater length of line. Thus a 2 inch (dia.) reel will answer the Trout fisher's purpose, it being capable of working easily a 35 yards length of strong waterproof line.

4.—No obstacle is given to the free working of the line. Fishing from hand or reel may thus be practised without the possibility of entanglement and loss, as in the existing side fitting plan.

5.—It is more portable, and works better with the rod than anything hitherto introduced.

They are thus found to be superior on every important point.

NO.	PRICES.	s.	d.	Bronzed or Silvered.	s.	d.
846½.	2-in. diameter, without check and spear...	9	6	With...	12	6
847.	2¼-in. ,, ,, ,, ...	10	6	,, ...	14	6
848.	2½-in. ,, ,, ,, ...	11	6	,, ...	16	0
849.	2¾-in. ,, Pike and Salmon size ...	13	6	,, ...	18	6
850.	3-in. ,, ,, ,, ...	14	6	,, ...	20	0
851.	3¼-in. ,, ,, ,, ...	15	6	,, ...	22	6
852.	3½-in. ,, ,, ,, ...	18	6	,, ...	24	0

If made on the swift running Nottingham reel plan for bottom fishing, 3s. 6d. extra.

NEW METAL SPINNING WINCHES.

Side fitting, made on the principle of the Nottingham wood reels.

	Bronze, with movable check.	Each. s.	d.
853.	2-in. diameter	11	0
854.	2¼-in. ,, ...	12	0
855.	2½-in. ,, ...	13	0
856.	2¾-in. ,, ...	14	0
857.	3-in. ,, ...	15	0

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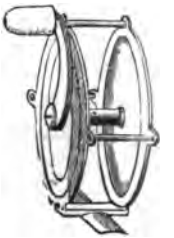
NO.		s.	d.
858.	3¼-in. diameter	17	0
859.	3½-in. „	19	0
860.	3¾-in. „	21	0
861.	4-in. „	23	0
862.	4¼-in. „	25	0
863.	4½-in. „	27	0

BEST PLAIN EARED REELS.

Outside Pillars.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
864	1¾ inch ...	5	3
865	2 „ ...	5	9
866	2¼ „ ...	6	6
867	2½ „ ...	7	0
868	2¾ „ ...	8	9
869	3 „ ...	9	6

With revolving plate, 2s. extra.



DITTO WITH CHECK, AND BRONZED.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
870	2 inch	6	6
871	2¼ „	7	0
872	2½ „	7	6
873	2¾ inch	8	0
874	3 „	9	6

BEST REVOLVING PLATE REELS, IN GUN METAL.

Steel Interior Fittings, Extra Finished.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
875	2¼ inch	11	6
876	2½ „	12	6
877	2¾ „	13	9
878	3 „	16	6
879	3¼ „	18	9
880	3½ „	21	6
881	3¾ „	23	9
882	4 „	26	6
883	4¼ „	29	6

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BEST PLAIN EBONITE REELS.

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
884	2 inch	...	6	0
885	2¼ „	...	6	6
886	2½ „	...	7	0
887	2¾ „	...	7	6
888	3 „	...	8	3
889	3¼ „	...	9	0

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
890	3½ inch	...	10	0
891	3¾ „	...	11	0
892	4 „	...	13	0
893	4¼ „	...	15	0
894	4½ „	...	17	6

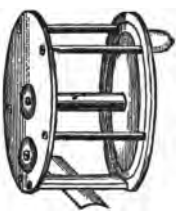
If German Silver Bound, 1s. extra.

If with Revolving Plate to edge, 3s. each extra.

BEST BURNISHED REEL.

WITH MOVABLE CHECK (REGISTERED). SUNK SCREWS.

NO.	DIAM.				s.	d.
895	3 inch	...	...	...	8	6
896	3 „	...	...	...	9	0
897	3½ „	...	...	...	10	6
898	3¾ „	...	...	...	11	6
899	4 „	...	...	...	12	6



BEST QUALITY DITTO.

BRONZED AND BEST FINISHED.

NO.	DIAM.			s.	d.
900	2¼ inch	...	...	8	6
901	2½ „	...	...	9	0
902	2¾ „	...	...	10	0
903	3 „	...	...	11	3
904	3¼ „	...	...	12	6

NO.	DIAM.			s.	d.
905	3½ inch	...	...	13	9
906	3¾ „	...	...	15	6
907	4 „	...	...	16	9
908	4¼ „	...	...	18	6
909	4½ „	...	...	22	6

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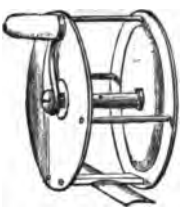
PLAIN BURNISHED REELS.

Sunk Screws.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
910	1¾ inch ...	3	3
911	2 " ...	3	6
912	2¼ " ...	4	0
913	4½ " ...	4	6
914	2¾ " ...	5	2
915	3 " ...	6	0
916	3¼ " ...	6	6
917	3½ " ...	7	6
918	3¾ " ...	8	6
919	3 " ...	9	6

With Silent Springs.



DITTO EBONITE.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
920	1¾ inch ...	3	6
921	2 " ...	4	0
922	2¼ " ...	4	6
923	2½ " ...	5	0
924	2¾ " ...	5	6
925	3 " ...	6	0
926	3¼ " ...	6	6
927	3½ " ...	7	0
928	3¾ " ...	8	6
929	4 " ...	9	6

G.S. bound, 1s. each extra.

If above Brass Reels are bronzed, 6d. extra.

DITTO, BEST FINISH, RELIEVED BRONZED, WITH CHECK.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
930	2 inch	4	9
931	2¼ "	5	6
932	2½ "	6	6
933	2¾ "	7	6
934	3 "	8	6
935	3¼ "	9	6
936	3¼ "	10	9
937	3½ "	12	0
938	3¾ "	13	6
939	4 "	15	0

BEST PLAIN EBONITE, WITH CHECK.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
940	2 inch	5	6
941	2¼ "	6	3
942	2½ "	7	3
943	2¾ "	8	6
944	3 "	9	3
945	3¼ "	10	3
946	3½ "	11	9
947	3¾ "	12	9
948	4 "	13	6

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SUPERIOR PLAIN REELS,

With Silent Spring.

Strong and durable, plain finish.

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
949	1¼ inch	...	1	3
950	1½ „	...	1	6
951	1⅝ „	...	1	8
952	1¾ „	...	1	10
953	2 „	...	2	4
954	2¼ „	...	2	6
955	2½ „	...	3	0
956	2⅝ „	...	3	4
957	2¾ „	...	4	0
958	3 „	...	4	6
959	3¼ „	...	5	0
960	3½ „	...	5	6
961	3¾ „	...	6	6
962	4 „	...	8	6

Ditto Burnished.

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
963	1¼ inch	...	1	9
964	1½ „	...	2	0
965	1⅝ „	...	2	2
966	1¾ „	...	2	4
967	2 „	...	2	8
968	2¼ „	...	3	0
969	2½ „	...	3	6
970	2⅝ „	...	4	0
971	2¾ „	...	4	6
972	3 „	...	5	0
973	3¼ „	...	5	6
974	3½ „	...	6	0
975	3¾ „	...	7	6
976	4 „	...	9	0

If with Check, 9d. each extra up to 2½ inch; and 2⅝ to 4 inch, 1s. each extra.

BEST EBONITE NOTTINGHAM WINCH.

Snap Adjustment.

German Silver Bound. Best Finished.

With Movable Check.

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
977	2½ inch	...	15	6
978	2¾ „	...	16	6
979	3 „	...	17	3
980	3¼ „	...	18	0
981	3½ „	...	19	0
982	3¾ „	...	20	0
983	4 „	...	21	6
984	4¼ „	...	22	6
985	4½ „	...	25	6

Without Check.

NO.	DIAM.		s.	d.
986	2½ inch	...	13	0
987	2¾ „	...	14	3
988	3 „	...	15	0
989	3¼ „	...	15	9
990	3½ „	...	16	6
991	3¾ „	...	17	6
992	4 „	...	19	6
993	4¼ „	...	21	0
994	4½ „	...	22	0

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NOTTINGHAM COMBINATION REEL.

SLATER'S PATENT.

Best Ebonite, German Silver Bound, Check Action, Superior Finish, and very Fast Running—a perfect bait casting winch.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.	NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
995	2½ inch	22	0	1000	3¾ inch	25	0
996	2¾ „	22	6	1001	4 „	26	0
997	3 „	23	0	1002	4¼ „	27	0
998	3¼ „	23	6	1003	4½ „	28	0
999	3½ „	24	0	1004	5 „	30	0

Very Superior, with Centre Pin Action and Fast Running.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.	NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1005	3 inch	14	0	1008	4½ inch	17	0
1006	3½ „	15	0	1009	5 „	18	0
1007	4 „	16	0				

With Check Action, 3s. extra.

THIRD QUALITY DITTO.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.	NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1010	2½ inch	7	6	1013	4 inch	11	6
1011	3 „	8	6	1014	4½ „	12	0
1012	3½ „	9	6	1015	5 „	13	6

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The above are well finished and can be strongly recommended. The prices are identical with those of the Patentee.

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THE "LITTLE GEM."

(STRIKE FROM THE REEL WINCH.)

With movable at will Tension, regulating the revolving of Line holding bobbin. Best bronzed, with revolving plate.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.	NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1016	2 inch	9	6	1021	3¼ inch	16	6
1017	2¼ „	10	6	1022	3½ „	19	6
1018	2½ „	11	6	1023	3¾ „	21	6
1019	2¾ „	12	6	1024	4 „	25	6
1020	3 „	13	9	1025	4¼ „	28	6

MALLOCK'S PATENT CASTING REEL, FOR SPINNING.

At Maker's Prices.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.	NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1026	2¾ inch	18	6	1028	4 inch	28	0
1027	3¼ „	21	0				

BEST LEATHER REEL CASES.

Morocco, Pig Skin, or Plain Leather Covered, Velvet Lined.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1029	To Hold Reel, 3 inch	5	9
1030	„ 4 „	6	6
1031	„ 4¼ „	7	0
1032	„ 4½ „	7	6
1033	„ 5 „	8	6

BEST WALNUT NOTTINGHAM REELS.

BEST BURNISHED BRASS MOUNTS.

NO.		Plain. Each. s.	d.	With Check (movable). Each. s.	d.
1034	2 inch diameter ...	1	9	6	6
1035	2½ „ „ ...	2	6	7	6
1036	3 „ „ ...	3	0	8	6
1037	3½ „ „ ...	3	9	9	6
1038	4 „ „ ...	4	6	11	6
1039	4½ „ „ ...	5	6	13	6
1040	5 „ „ ...	7	6	15	6

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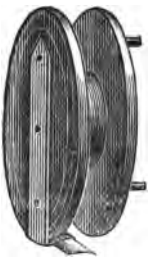
SECOND QUALITY NOTTINGHAM REELS.

Hard Wood, Varnished, Brass Back.

NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1041	2 inch	1	6
1042	2¼ ,,	1	9
1043	2½ ,,	2	0
1044	2¾ ,,	2	4
1045	3 ,,	2	9
1046	3¼ ,,	3	0
1047	3½ ,,	3	3
1048	3¾ ,,	3	9
1049	4 ,,	4	6

THIRD QUALITY DITTO.



NO.	DIAM.	s.	d.
1050	2 inch	1	2
1051	2¼ ,,	1	4
1052	2½ ,,	1	6
1053	2¾ ,,	1	8
1054	3 ,,	1	10
1055	3¼ ,,	2	0
1056	3½ ,,	2	6
1057	3¾ ,,	3	0
1058	4 ,,	3	6

Reels renovated expeditiously and at a very moderate cost.

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LIST OF TROUT AND GRAYLING FLIES.

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Dressed from instructions given in the "Scientific Angler," by the late David Foster.

The appended list of "naturals" are to be found upon all trout and grayling streams, wherever situated, the only diversity being in point of *size*. They make their appearance at the exact period stated, excepting when the seasons are extremely irregular, in which case no fixed rule could possibly be accurate.

We dress the whole of this selected list of "standard killers" *true* in point of colour, size, and attitude, to the most minute particular for each locality and river. One or two fancy flies are added to complete the list of standard flies. The flies marked thus * are dressed both light and dark.

MARCH.—No. 1, Red Fly; No. 2, Blue Dun: No. 3, Cockwinged Dun; No. 4, March Brown;* No. 5, Cowdung Fly; No. 6, Bumble.*

For the allurement of trout and grayling in February, the Red Fly (or Old Joe) and Blue Dun are the most killing flies that can be used, but on excessively cloudy and cold days the grayling rise best at the light Bumble * and Cockwing. The March Brown comes upon our midland streams about the third week in March; it kills so well in this and the adjoining counties, that it is designated the *Dun Drake*.

"Fosters tie magnificent Flies."—From leading angling article in *Field*, January 24th, 1880.

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"We can strongly recommend Foster's Red Caterpillar. He has frequently afforded his customers great success with it."—*Country.*

APRIL.—No. 1, Yellow Dun;* No. 2, Pale Blue Dun; No. 3, Sand Fly; No. 4, Grannum; No. 5, Foster's Intermediate;* No. 6, Iron Blue Dun.*

The Yellow Dun of April makes its appearance in great numbers on cloudy and cold days from April to September. We have found this fly the most deadly "artificial" we ever threw. The legs are that beautiful olivy-yellow shade so difficult to imitate; the body is of a smoky-blue colour, through which the lemon-tinted ribs protrude from head to tail, and the wings are of the ordinary dun transparent hue. This fly will appear much darker in colour when the season is backward and cold. In this emergency we use a copy darkened by introducing a rust-like shade upon the body, which has a good effect when held between the eye and the light. The fly marked as our *Intermediate* is intended to represent the middle or intermediate stage of all the "duns" whilst in the act of changing their skins, prior to their reappearance as *Spinners*. The Pale Blue, Sand Fly, and Green-tail, or Grannum, are all good flies, both in spring and autumn. The Iron Blue makes its first appearance in this month, but is much more numerous in that following.

MAY.—No. 1, Yellow Dun; No. 2, Black Gnat; No. 3, Little Yellow May Dun; No. 4, Oak Fly; No. 5, Yellow Sally; No. 6, Mulberry Bumble.

The Yellow Dun of May kills well on fine warm days, and is much smaller and lighter than that of April. These, in common with all spring flies, kill well at times in the autumn, the weather and water then being about the same temperature. The black gnat is a very small fly, which is a great favourite with both trout and grayling when fully on the water. The usual copies of these little creatures are, generally speaking, much nearer the size of a blue-bottle than that of a gnat. The same observation also applies to the Iron Blue, Red Ant, and Little Chap;

"Mr. D. Foster was undoubtedly one of the most successful fly-fishers in England."—*Sporting Life.*

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"As we pointed out in our sketch of 'Famous Fishermen,' last week, the Messrs. Foster are unrivalled in the art of fly-making.—*Fishing Gazette*, June 28th, 1878.

the former, as we before observed, is very plentiful in May, when it assumes a lighter shade on the body. The fish are remarkably fond of this sturdy little ephemeral, especially when it appears in its new dress as the Jenny Spinner (which it does on the second or third day of its existence). In this last stage it lives some four or five days. The Oak Fly and Yellow Sally are in season from May to July.

JUNE.—No. 1, Little Dark Spinner; No. 2, Turkey Brown;* No. 3, Red Palmer Caterpillar; No. 4, Little Chap; No. 5, Common Yellow Dun; No. 6, Golden Palmer.

The Red Haired Caterpillar, or "Woolly Bear," as it is called, is strongly recommended for trout when the fish are not rising, or when they are merely playing and not feeding. This insect is very abundant throughout the whole season. It is the caterpillar of our common *Arctia Caga*, or tiger moth, found amongst shrubs, &c., lining the banks of the streams, from whence it drops into the water and becomes food for fish. The length and bulk of the body enables the artiste to place two hooks in the artificial, which greatly lessens the chance of losing a fish when hooked. Under the brighest sun, and in the clearest water—no matter if the rays of the former cause the latter to glisten like molten silver—we have found this lure to be *par excellence* when affixed to the point of a fine lash, cast, and allowed to sink a few feet above the haunt of a heavy fish who is dosing away the weary hours as they drag along towards twilight. It speedily attracts attention, and after an "all round inspection" by Master Speckle, a couple of reeking jaws open and close upon both "feather and fur," and the monster leisurely turns down; his progress is however arrested by the point of one or more sturdy hooks, which are now firmly fixed in the corner of his mouth—a most important point in favour of the rodster prior to the customary struggle. The Dark Spinner, Common Yellow, and Golden Palmer, are generally useful from May to September. The Turkey Brown kills when

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"Foster's Bumbles" we have referred to often before as being among the best flies it is possible to use for grayling or trout in the midland streams."—*Fishing Gazette*, Sept., 1885.

the water is discoloured. The light copy is an excellent fly on a summer's evening, towards dusk, when it is taken for the small light grass moth. The Little Chap is an excellent fly for grayling and trout on all fine clear days during the summer.

JULY.—No. 1, Pale Evening White; No. 2, Pale Evening Dun; No. 3, July Dun; No. 4, Honey Dun Bumble; * No. 5, Red Ant; No. 6, General Black.

The Pale Evening Whites and Duns are very abundant through the whole of this month. They may be observed in clouds, together with the Red and Golden Spinners, Yellow Sally, &c., about bridges, weirs, &c., after sunset, when both aerial and terrestrial fly-catchers have a fine time of it. The July Dun, Red Ant, and Dotterel, may be used at mid-day, when the fish are on the feed. The General Black is a very useful fly, as it effectually represents the whole tribe of blacks. It is an especial favourite in Derbyshire, Staffordshire, and the North.

AUGUST.—No. 1, Whistler Fly;* No. 2, Golden Dun; No. 3, August Dun; No. 4, Cinnamon Fly; No. 5, Golden Dun Midge; No. 6, Orange Dun.

The Whistler is a most excellent fly for discoloured water. We have killed enormous baskets of fish with this fly when the water has been deemed too muddy for worm fishing. The Golden Dun is almost nvariably a good killer on bright clear days. The August Dun comes on the water at eleven and stays until four o'clock. The late Fœtid Brown or Cinnamon is very good on cold windy days, when it is often very numerous about the stones lining the river side. The Golden Dun Midge and Orange Duns are good throughout the whole season.

SEPTEMBER.—No. 1, Whirling Blue Dun; No. 2, Primrose Dun; No. 3, Little Pale Blue; No. 4, Willow Fly; * No. 5, Blue-Bottle; No. 6, Red Spinner.

The Whirling Blue is a well-known fly for autumn fishing. It is much appreciated by the fish, especially on cold days, and under these

"Foster's Flies are always well tied."—*Sportsman.*

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"The Bumbles dressed by the Messrs. Foster are unequalled by any we have yet seen for neatness and for use amongst grayling."—*Fishing Gazette*, 1882.

circumstances it follows, as a natural consequence, that the fly ranks high also from the fisherman's point of view. The Red Spinner kills well towards twilight, from April to September, after fine days. All the Duns that live to maturity become *Spinners;* these latter are therefore, and in consequence, very numerous. The usual copies of these truly beautiful insects are, for the most part, very indifferent, both as regards colour and attitude. The natural flies are taken by the fish whilst in the act of laying their eggs, one of which they drop each time they alight upon the surface of the water. That these, the most "prim, pretty, and plentiful" of the whole category of winged insects, should be neatly and skilfully copied in every detail will be readily conceded by all who have ever devoted any attention to the subject. The Little Pale Blue and Willow are great favourites with the grayling during this the best month for these delicate fish.

OCTOBER.—No. 1, Hare's Ear Dun; No. 2, Needle Fly;* No. 3, Grey Palmer; No. 4, Esterhazy Dun;* No. 5, Coch-y-bondu; No. 6, October Dun.*

The Hare's Ear is an excellent fly from early spring to autumn. The Needle Fly and Grey Palmer are the best grayling flies that can be used. The Coch-y-bondu is a most excellent fly for brook fishing for large trout, and for heavy waters generally. The Esterhazys and Octobers are among the most prominent of the myriads of Little Duns that haunt both river and brook for the remaining portion of the season.

It will be seen that a list of forty-eight kinds of flies are given, these being arranged for the year. This list is a medium between the two extremes drawn by Pennell and Stewart, on the one hand, with Wade, Theakstone, and more writers of the old school on the other. The contrast shown in the advocacy of three solitary commonplace hackled lures, and the other stretched extreme of over three hundred, is

"Mrs. M. Smith and Mr. David Foster, Ashbourne, are referred to by the editor of the magnificent work before us ('A Quaint Treatise on Flies and Fly Making') as being the most accomplished fly-makers of the day. We can endorse the statement."—*Field*, May, 1876.

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"The imitations are wonderfully exact."—*The Nation*, New York, U.S.A.

too overdrawn to gain the allegiance of experienced and unbiased judges.

Naturalists and entomologists of note agree there are upwards of three hundred varieties of aquatic insects, but the vast majority of these, it is also affirmed, are rarely, if ever, touched by the fish, whose preference is, as a rule, given enthusiastically to those flies *most numerous* at any time through the season. Thus the Little Black Smut, or Angler's Plague, as it is occasionally called, when heavily plentiful, will wholly monopolise the attention of the rising fish, though other and larger insects may be "on." The grounds or reasons for taking a list of six flies seasonable for each fishable month, are based on an extended study of the habits of both fish and prey. They are incontestably logical, and sound practically, being found to succeed upon the well-flogged streams of the midlands, and the clear, slowly flowing waters of the south. The plan and principle cannot but extend with rolling time to more remote, and, consequently, less whipped waters of the north and west. In proof of the statement here advanced, it is only needful to remind the reader of an acknowledged fact, endorsed readily by the highest authorities on English trout and grayling fishing, viz. :—*That the southern regimen is fully successful in the north*, whilst the infallible trio of hackles or spiders are found *of no practical use whatever south of the border counties.*

In this progressive age results are consulted more and more. Theory is more quickly discountenanced, whilst stern practical tests are eagerly sought and acted upon, hence the advance of science, and the consequent diminution of misleading fallacy and error. That the convenience of being confined to a universal cast of flies is illusionary when *sophisticated* fish are one's object, goes without saying. Equally rational is the inference that if *convenience* is the one and only object to be considered, it will at all times be far more readily attained under any circumstances and conditions by reproductions of flies fed upon by the fish, rather than by a something like nothing between earth and sky. We instance the

"When I say Foster's flies are good, I am speaking from personal experience."—Angling Ed. of *Preston Guardian*, April, 1885.

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Specimen Illustrations from the "SCIENTIFIC ANGLER." *4th Edition.*

Plate A.

No. 1 Blue Dun Natural & Artificial
2 Cockwinged Dun " "
3 Yellow Dun of April " "
4 Rusty Bodied Dun " "
5 Pale Blue Dun " "

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"We find Foster's eyed flies to be very good; they are admirably dressed."—*Fishing Gazette*, Sept. 25th, 1886.

March Brown,
Olive Dun, and
Iron Blue.

These three flies are *natural* favourites with the fish, and creditable copies cannot fail to kill anywhere better than others having no counterparts in nature.

For grayling the

Needle Fly,
Grey Palmer, and
October Dun,

are the best all-round killers. The habitual scarcity of surface food in the late autumn months renders the hosts of fancy flies more useful; hence the reputation of the Bumbles, and the ever-growing varieties of tinselled and tagged "flies." These, *when no fish are seen to rise*, are to be often used with effect.

The best and wisest course, we would emphasise and repeat by way of conclusion, is that of plying the flies upon which the fish are feeding, and that are seen prevalent at any time. Cotton defined and enhanced the usefulness of a fly list by portioning it to the months and season, each fly so portioned being supposed to bear some resemblance to living insects found at the period named, and forming food for fish; so did Ronalds and his immediate copyists, and so, lastly, did the author of the new standard work on angling, viz., the "Scientific Angler." Aquatic naturalists, in short, are unanimous on this all-important point and conclusion, "that no other principle can possibly succeed so well under the conditions present on well-whipped waters, wherever situate, than that of presenting imitations of flies 'on' whilst fishing at any given time."

"The best floating drake that I know of is one tied by Fosters, of Ashbourne—Canadian wood-duck wings, with hollow wheaten straw body."—*Sporting and Dramatic News*, June 5th, 1886.

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CERTIFICATES.

"Foster's flies, in my humble opinion, are second to none, if not superior in many respects to any."—Writer in *Bell's Life*, Oct. 27, 1883.

"Their trout flies are extremely well dressed, whilst those tied for salmon and sea trout are among the most tasteful we have seen."—*Field*, Aug., 1881.

"Foster Bros.' Flies, in our opinion (and that of most of our angling friends) are unequalled."—Writer in *Field*, Oct. 27, 1883.

"FOSTER'S BUMBLES.—Messrs. D. and W. Foster, of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, whose celebrated bumbles have been so often referred to by us as being among the best flies it is possible to use for grayling or trout, send us samples of still finer tied varieties. The sight of a 'honey dun bumble' always reminds us of many a good trout and grayling killed with it. Then we have the 'mulberry bumble,' a standard favourite of ours, which is a capital little fly. We have never done so much with the 'light' and 'rough' bumbles as with the 'honey' and 'mulberry,' though they are both good flies for the last hour's fishing, when something a little more showy is wanted. The 'furnace bumble,' is an indispensable fly in a cast of bumbles, and will kill all the year round. Gut is beautifully fine."—*Fishing Gazette*, Sept. 13, 1883.

"We like their flies dressed with upright wings, full feathered, for dry fly fishing."—Leader in *Fishing Gazette*, Sept. 15, 1883.

"The bumbles and Derbyshire duns kill well upon the Yore and Wharfe; especially is this the case with the splendid series of bumbles and upwinged duns manufactured by Messrs. Foster Bros., of Ashbourne."—Francis M. Walbram, in the *Fishing Gazette*, Oct. 28, 1883.

"We opened with an admirable example of Foster's, of Ashbourne. I never landed, in a shorter time, seventeen brace of more beautiful trout. My friend, who is a tyro at the art, came under a fourth of my take, but he was perfectly satisfied. Foster's May fly (Green Drake) will please anybody. It is not a large pattern, but with a well covered body, and for an hour, at least, when my friend could not stir a fish with

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a finer bodied fly, I took them out all round him."—F. S. Perkin, *Fishing Gazette*, Sept. 6th, 1884.

"Should he not kill fish with them, he may rest assured that the fault lies with himself in some way or other, which remark also applies to the splendid series of bumbles and up-winged duns manufactured by Messrs. Foster Bros. of Ashbourne.—*Fishing Gazette*, Oct. 20, 1883.

"I put on a stout collar and a big two-hooked construction, invented by old David Foster, and known to Derbyshire anglers as the Woolly Bear. I ought to have used it in the middle of the day, but overlooked this. I took several brace of fine fish with it in a short space of time." —*Field*, Sept. 16, 1884.

"The late David Foster was the father of the firm. He was a fine old angler, and famed far and wide for his skill in fly tying; and Mr. Aldam, editor of the 'Quaint Treatise on Flies and Fly Making,' referred to him as one of the most accomplished fly makers of the day. The duns and bumbles made by old David's successors are still amongst the most beautiful of manufactured specimens."—*Field*, May, 1885.

"I see that Mr. F. N. Halford, who has just published 'Floating Flies, and how to dress them,' quotes from, and approves of, Mr. Foster's theories as to water flies. Even the well-known angler, Mr. T. E. Pritt, says in his excellent book, 'Yorkshire Flies'—'A trout will sometimes take any fly that is presented to him, but it is as well to remember that, in nine cases out of ten, he will not look at anything but the fly which is on the water so long as the rise is on.' This is quite correct, and as a winged imitation can be made to resemble the natural insect better than a hackle fly can, Mr. Pritt's argument may be said to be in favour of Mr. Foster's recommendations."—*Preston Guardian*, April, 1886.

"The late David Foster, of Ashbourne, was, I believe, the first to originate the plan of dressing flies similar to the above-named, with wings, which would retain an almost upright position when wet, or subjected to heavy usage, and his method, as explained in his eminently practical work, *The Scientific Angler*, is as follows:—" (here a lengthy quotation is given, which it is not needful to repeat).—From "British Angling Flies," by Michael Theakston (new edition).

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See also Adam's "Flies and Fly Making"; "Floating Flies," by F. M. Halford; "Fishing with the Fly," by A. Nelson Cheney; "Modern Improved Tackle," by C. Pennell; and other leading authorities.

The unsolicited communications following may be perused in the original writings on application:—

[Extract.]

"Tyndwfr, Llangollen, North Wales,
"March 23, 1884.

"Please send me a dozen cock winged duns (March and October shade) similar to the half-dozen I had from you. They are A1. The water here is getting fine, and, as I expected, the merits of your accuracy of colours and perfect material are becoming manifest.

"G. H. DICKIN."

[From Later Letter.]

"October 29, 1886.

"The flies are exquisitely tied, and though the quill gnats were not ordered, I have decided to keep them, as they are so good.

"G. H. DICKIN."

"Stansfield Cottage, Littleborough, near Manchester,
"August 4th, 1884.

"Will you please forward, per early post, Flies, as other side. I have tried flies by many other makers, but find none equal to yours.

"JOHN HEAP."

"Thornton-in-Craven, Leeds,
"April 7th, 1884.

"I find your flies to be splendid killers, especially the duns.

"ED. BOND."

"Ashover, Chesterfield, March 27, 1884.

"Last April Mr. Whitmore found Messrs. Foster's 'Intermediate' kill wonderfully. The fish would not some days look at duns or bumbles, but took the 'Intermediate' freely."

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From Dr. Robert Ellis.

"The Raven Spring, Mitcham, Surrey,
"June 22nd, 1883.

"Sirs,

"What have I been doing? Before what idols of stock and stone have I bowed my neck and lowly head? Why did I not hear of you, or, rather, *give ear* to you, all this time of angling darkness which has beclouded my common-sense of the fitness (and unfitness) of things piscatorial?

"Listen! I, accompanied by the acknowledged Chief of the Fly—(shall I pun in my penitence?)—the Fly-men of North Devon, went a long day's flying (more bad puns) down and up the private streams kindly opened for me by a noble Earl. And I came back almost as I set forth—my creel almost empty; and I, savage of temper, morose, and utterly downcast. It didn't matter, down-cast or up-cast, on the stream—no luck at all.

"Again and again I spoke to the 'Champion,' begging him to call me just half the bad names I gave myself. He was too consoling, and said, 'Bime-by sir, bime-by; you bide a little and then they'll come to your fly.' Hitherto, the trout fled at sight of my tail fly. It was called 'Red Spinner.' I caught the natural insect, and when I compared it with my artificial, my cloud vanished—my fly was an utter montrosity, a hash of three or four insects together.

"Then were my eyes opened, and I minded me of you; I sent for yours, and it is now before me, as true to nature as art can make. I go forth with it, and some fine day I'll tell you of its victims.

"Yours faithfully,
"ROBERT ELLIS.

"Messrs. Foster Bros."

From the Original Proprietor of the Fishing Gazette.

"Barnsbury, July 21st, 1877.

"Dear Sirs,

"The flies ordered came duly to hand. Speaking as a practical fly-fisher of twenty years' experience, I must say I have never seen better

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than those you have forwarded. I shall most certainly recommend them to my immediate friends.

"Sincerely yours,
"T. F. LEMARE."

"October 21st, 1883.

"Dear Sirs,

"Please execute the enclosed order for flies per return, as this month is far advanced, and I prefer it for grayling fishing to any other. I have discontinued ordering from other makers, for those supplied by you I find kill the best. Their equal I have never found, though I have been a fly-fisher for upwards of twenty-five years. Send them per return, as I intend trying a day on Saturday.

"I am,
"Yours truly,
"R. THOMAS."

"3, Grove Crescent, Kingston-on-Thames.

"Lieut.-Colonel Rich encloses a P.O. order for 18s., in payment for the flies sent by Messrs. Foster, and particularly wishes to add he is very much pleased with them."

"The Manor House, Barrow-on-Trent.

"Sirs,

"The flies last sent are simply perfection. I killed a lot of fish with the 'Earwig' pattern (having the true golden shade through the fibres of the tackle) from the Trent, mostly chub and dace, fishing from my lawn.

"Yours, &c.,
"FRAS. LEY.

"August 29th, 1882."

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From H. Bradfield, Esq., Hon. Sec. King's Lynn Angling Association.

"9th April, 1883.

"Dear Sirs,

"Enclosed I send postal order for 7s. 6d. for flies received. They are splendid samples of the art. You will have further orders from this neighbourhood, as all who see admire the upwinged patterns, which have every qualification for dry fly-fishing, being well-feathered and up-winged.

"Yours faithfully,

"H. BRADFIELD."

"Marton, Rugby,

"18th April, 1882.

"Dear Sirs,

"The 'Acme' line and flies you sent me are safely received, for which I am much obliged. I think the May flies extremely well tied and imitated. Some I bought in London are not fit to be placed by them, the contrast in their relation to nature is so great.

"CYRIL G. C. WRIGHT."

"2, High Street,

"Camden Town, London, N.W.

"I am very pleased with the flies, which are exactly to my wishes, the colours being cleverly reproduced from nature.

"J. ROGERS.

"May 10th, 1886."

"Stock Park, Ulverston,

"April 10th, 1886.

"Will you kindly send me a list of your artificials. A friend here has a few of your flies, and more perfect imitations of nature I have never seen.

"J. W. DEAKIN."

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"The Court House,
"Wigmore, Kingsland,
"Herefordshire.

"These are the best I have ever used, and I have fished the rivers about here more than thirty years.

"C. J. C. PRESCOTT.

"May 10th, 1886."

"Elm House,
"Gravelly Hill,
"Birmingham.

"When your flies have once been tried, no further recommendation is needed.

"W. HOWARD AVERY.

"July, 1886."

"Stowe Cottage,
"Chartley, Stafford,
"May 27th, 1885.

"You must include half-dozen at least of your 'Green Drake,' of the exact pattern I send you, it being, I think, one of the very best I ever tried, as I killed seventeen brace of trout in a few hours last season with one.

"F. S. PERKIN."

"Bank House,
"Leek, Staffordshire,
"May 4th, 1885.

"I duly received the half-dozen Flies, and I must say they do you great credit. I don't think I ever saw neater made flies.

"G. DAVENPORT."

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"Stainton Hall,
"Caister,
"April 22, 1885.

"Fishing for three hours the other day, I took nineteen brace of trout, all with your March Dun and Cockwing.

"ARTHUR BENN."

"5, Victoria Road,
"Stafford.

"The Flies you sent me are very satisfactory, and are the best imitations I ever saw.

"W. ROBINS.

"October 11th, 1886."

"The Pines,
"Budleigh Salterton, S. Devon,
"July 26th, 1886.

"The Caterpillars down here are nothing less than marvels for killing, so much so, that I have only confided to one friend, Dr. Evans here, a brother *Medico*, their special use, as I am almost afraid they might be interdicted. With the first I gave him, he killed a nice dish of good trout, and a salmon peal of 2¾ lbs. I think I can fairly say I have killed over sixteen brace of big trout with three of them. I am reduced now to one, and that shaky, so please send me off six more per return. Please let me have the Caterpillars by earliest post, as some of the best water I have been on closes on the 31st, and I want to get another decent dish or two before closing day.

"J. KINGHAM BELL."

"Oban, N.B.

"Dear Sirs,

"I would thank you to send me four more dozen of the gold-bodied fly enclosed (the Whistler). With this one solitary specimen I

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took 41 trout from one pool a few days ago before coming here. There was not a single fish under 1 lb. in weight. Will most certainly recommend your remarkable flies to all my angling acquaintances.

"Yours, &c.,

"W. ROBERT FOREST."

"Orme House, Westward Ho!

N. Devon.

"I have had first-rate sport with your flies in very clear water.

"F. P. HOPKINS.

"January 4th, 1887." (Major).

"Rowsley, Bakewell,

"October 9th, 1886.

"The flies to hand are beautifully tied. I am much obliged by your taking so much trouble about them. I know no floating fly equal to them.

"MAJOR E. LEVETT."

"Clarence Cottage,

"Hampton, Cambridgeshire.

"I was delighted to receive your second packet this morning. The flies you have sent me are just what I want, and well tied.

"A. J D. CHAPMAN."

PRICES.

		Per Doz. s.	d.
1059	Best Flies for Trout and Grayling, dressed on finest gut, 1st quality browned hooks and workmanship. *To naturals, exact*	2	0
1060	Ditto, ditto, to patterns submitted, or specially made to order (Not less than 1 dozen of a kind can be specially tied)	2	0
1061	Ordinary quality Trout Flies	1	6
1062	May Flies	3	0

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		Per Doz. s.	d.
1063	Best ditto, straw bodies, floating	4	0
1064	Canadian Wood-duck Winged ditto	6	0
1065	Red Palmer Caterpillars	3	0
1066	The New Membrane Winged Files	3	0

The transparent winged Duns, and other artificials, are the most natural copies of the ephemerida and kindred orders of insects that the angler-naturalist has yet accomplished. We are introducing them this season for the first time. They are the result of many experiments, and are beyond doubt an important improvement.

1067	Alexandra Flies, on best eyed hooks	2	6
1068	"Dun Cut" (Night Fly)	2	6
1069	White Moth do.		
1070	Brown do. do.		
1071	Grasshopper Grub, for Grayling ... (each) 4d. and	0	6

Our list of 48 kinds of flies are systematically arranged for the whole season in our new Fly Book, with eight pages of instructions affixed on parchment. (*See Fly Books.*)

AN IMPROVEMENT ON GUT.

A NEW DISCOVERY.

The new Web Steel Fibre, by a new process, is drawn almost half the thickness of the finest gut, and is annealed to the medium degree of malleability. It in the fine size alluded to withstands a dead strain of full 3lbs. weight (which is equivalent to a fish double the weight with water, and a pliant rod as sustaining mediums.) *No finest-drawn gut will stand the weight* named. This colour is the dull smoke-blue of ordinary stained gut. When viewed at a distance of a few feet it is invisible. Its chief value to the fly-fisher is for droppers, which, when dressed on the Web Steel Fibre, never cling or entangle round the line. They hang sufficiently pliant to enable user to fish in comfort. For midwater and bottom fishing the new substance is as great an advance on refined gut in point of strength, for bulk and thickness, as gut was over the horse hair, and the Indian grass or weed of our forefathers.

Flies may be had dressed on above at our usual prices for flies on gut.

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FOSTER'S NEW INVISIBLE DOUBLE HOOKS.

The following extract and illustrations are cut from Mr. Cholmondelay Pennell's latest work—"Modern Improvements in Fishing Tackle."

"INVISIBLE DOUBLE HOOKS."

One other ingenious novelty may be briefly noticed—Messrs. D. and W. H. Foster's "Invisible Double Hook," to which various advantages

are ascribed. The most prominent is indicated in its name. A May-fly dressed on these hooks is represented above, and the cuts below illustrate the appearance of the fly and position of the double hooks in relation to wings, &c., when seen (A) from above, and (B) from below, when on water. The inventors claim that in the latter case "the hooks taking a horizontal position, whilst the wings and legs are outlined perpendicularly, the former are not 'outlined' at all."

A.

B.

FOSTER'S INVISIBLE DOUBLE HOOK.

From the *Field*, September 18th, 1886.

"Messrs. D. & W. H. Foster, of Ashbourne, have introduced a new fly-hook, which is stated to have answered well where tried. They are, in point of fact, two hooks, so placed in the body of the fly that both are said to be invisible to the fish. This is the advantage claimed for the invention, and, indeed, its excuse. The wings and legs float horizontally in the water, thus obscuring the two hooks, which are made of unusually fine wire, so that the double hook (brazed) weighs scarcely more than an ordinary single hook."

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From the *Fishing Gazette*, September 25th, 1886.

FLIES ON INVISIBLE HOOKS.

"We said just now it was not Messrs. Foster's fault if there was nothing new under the sun; they are continually striving after novelty. The amateur angler sighed for an invisible hook on invisible gut, and here, according to Messrs. Foster, is the very thing. If trout have eyes like other mortals, then we greatly fear, Messrs. Foster, they would call you 'visionary enthusiasts'—instead of one hook you give us two, and call them invisible! Joking apart, these flies are dressed on extra fine wire double hooks, and very good ones too. We have seen genuine testimonials from anglers who speak most highly of these fine double-hooked flies, and we hope to give them a personal trial later on."

From the same journal a fortnight later.

"We sent some of Messrs. Foster's fine wire double-hook trout-flies to a friend in the West of England, whose opinions we have every confidence in, and he writes as follows:—'I have given Foster's double-hook flies a good trial. The Red Spinner and Sand Fly being the taking flies during the last two or three weeks, I had a good opportunity of comparing them with the single hooks. I think them a great advantage, particularly at the end of the season, when the fish take under water and rise so 'short'; but the peculiar feature about them is that they hook the fish in the *upper jaw*. I took particular notice how each fish was taken. In one instance both hooks were in the angle of the mouth; but in every other case the fish was hooked in the roof of the mouth by one hook only, and certainly more firmly hooked than with the ordinary single-hook fly. Of course, these small fine wire hooks will not stand wear so well as a single hook of stouter wire.'"

From the *Free Press*.

"Fly fishers for trout have long sighed for a fly tied upon an invisible hook upon invisible gut; and sighed in vain. Now, according to Messrs. Foster, of Ashbourne, they have discovered the first part of

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their want. These celebrated fishing-tackle makers have introduced a fly, tied upon a double hook, brazed, which they describe thus :—'The hooks are placed horizontally in the body of the fly, and the advantage of this plan quickly manifests itself in practice—one bend is in the water, and the other perpendicular, and thus *both hooks are invisible to the fish.*'"

Mr. W. H. Aldam, Editor of "A Quaint Treatise on Flies and Fly Making, writes :

Please find cheque enclosed for the Invisible Hooked Flies. My son had great success with them, though the water and weather has been so fearfully fine and bright.

"Winchcomb, Winchester, Hampshire."

'Littleborough, near Manchester,
"July 21st, 1885.

"Please find postal note and stamps for amount owing to you for Invisible Double-hooked Flies. I am much pleased with them. I was out with a party the other evening, and was the only one who landed any fish. I fancy if you dressed your single hook flies with wings on side of hook they might prove good. I think it worth a trial. I may say that I prefer your flies to any I have tried. The cost is a little more, but the flies are more satisfactory.

"JOHN HEAP."

Want of space forbids more press extracts and testimonials being printed.

PRICES OF TROUT AND GRAYLING FLIES ON THE NEW INVISIBLE HOOKS.

		Per Doz. s.	d.
1072	Best quality on finest gut	3	0
1073	Ditto on Eyed Invisible Hooks	3	6

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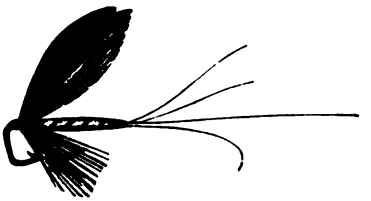
FLUTTERING OR REVERSE WINGED FLIES.

"In 1883 Messrs. Foster brought out Flies in which the wings were reversed as shown in the cut.



SPECIMEN FLY ENLARGED.

"Since then this method of fly dressing has been, we see, rediscovered and patented in America. These flutterers would evidently dry well, and the wings would stand out well. They are really beautifully made."—*Fishing Gazette*, Sept. 25th, 1886.

THE FLUTTERING FLY.

From Mr. A. N. Cheney, author of "Fishing with the Fly," &c.:

"THE FLUTTERING FLY.—Editor *Forest and Stream.* In *Forest and Stream* for June 10, '86, I find a cut and description of a fly that Mr. Holberton is stated to have invented and that Mr. Imbrie has patented. In April or May, 1883, Messrs. D. and W. H. Foster, of Ashbourne, England, sons of the late David Foster, author of 'The Scientific Angler,' sent me flies tied exactly as the 'Fluttering Fly' is represented in the cut above mentioned. The Messrs. Foster did not write of these flies as being new or strange, but merely included them with other flies without comment. How long they have been so fashioned in England previous to 1883 I have no means of knowing at present.

"A. N. CHENEY, Glens Falls, N. Y.

In addition we now make the following variety of reverse winged artificials, specially suitable for fine, clear, and well whipped waters, the hook being well obscured :—

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IMPROVED REVERSE WINGED FLY.

PRICES.

		Per Doz. s.	d.
1074	Best quality small Trout and Grayling size	2	6
1075	Improved variety	3	0

SEA TROUT AND LAKE FLIES.

The following Grilse, Sewen, and Sea Trout Flies are well known killers. They are supplied dressed on first quality hooks and gut, price 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per dozen :—

1076 Mallard Wing, Claret Mohair Body and Hackle, Ribbed Gold.

1077 Brown Mallard Wing, Light Brown Hackle, Peacock Herl Body.

1078 Cock Pheasant Wing, Green Mohair Body, Partridge Hackle, Ribbed Gold.

1079 Jay's Large Quill Wing, Black Legs, Claret, Yellow, and Blue Mohair Body, Ribbed Gold.

1080 Widgeon Wing, Brown Hackle, Yellow Mohair Body, Red ditto Tags, Ribbed Gold.

1081 Turkey Wing, Peacock Herl Body, Natural Red Hackle, Silver Tag, Ribbed Silver.

1082 Bustard Wing, Red and Yellow Streamers, Claret Mohair Body, ditto Legs, Scarlet and Yellow Tag.

1083 Dark Mallard Wing, Natural Red Hackle; Body, Blue and Yellow Mohair, Golden Pheasant Tippet Tag, Ribbed Flat Gold.

1084 Mixed Bustard, Blue Jay and Red Swan Wing, Light Red Leg, Fawn Mohair Body, Ribbed Flat Gold (Foster's Ballamar).

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No.

1085 Cinnamon Wing, Black Hackle, Red, Black, and Yellow Mohair Body, Golden Pheasant Topping Tag, Ribbed Silver.

1086 White Tip Wing, Black Hackle, Yellow and Red Body, Ribbed Gold.

1087 Woodcock Wing, Red Hackle, Yellow Body, Ribbed Gold.

1088 Teal Wing, Red Hackle, Yellow Body, Ribbed Silver.

1089 Woodcock Wing, Red Hackle, Yellow Body, Ribbed Gold.

1090 Bustard Wing, Red Hackle, Yellow Body, Ribbed Gold.

1091 Cinnamon Wing, Black Hackle, Black and Yellow Body, Ribbed Gold.

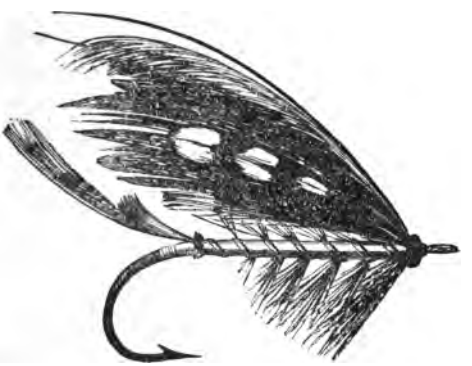
1092 Large March Brown, Ribbed Gold.

1093 Heron Wing, Bright Claret Body and Hackle, Ribbed Gold.

Lake Flies on the new Invisible Double Hooked, Eyed, and Rustless, 4s. per doz.

Special Local Flies for the best known Rivers, Lochs and Loughs, sent per return post.

SALMON FLIES.



THE BLUE MACAW (LARGE SIZED FLY).

"The great thing to keep in the mind's eye when choosing or constructing a salmon fly, is the shine *through* the feathers, wool, mohair, &c., when held above the head, and thus viewed from beneath.

"Some dressings are of almost one universal dull shade, or no shade

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at all, when held in the posture seen by the fish; others will have the colour rightly seen shining through in a few patches; but the correct thing is to get the whole of the legs, tail, and body to shine brilliantly through, as well as when looked down upon, and the fault will be none of the fly's if it be refused by the fish. The materials used for salmon flies are specially picked with a view to their effect when seen from below; as for instance, the hard-to-be-procured pig's wool, which for transparency of shade stands well-nigh unequalled; also mohair, which, though of finer texture, possesses the same characteristics. These, when well placed upon the hook shank, shine most effectively when wet, and viewed from below."—*Scientific Angler*, page 161.

Salmon flies exist in endless varieties; the following are, however, well-known killers of universal reputation. The quality of the materials used and the excellence of the workmanship displayed in our List of Famous Salmon Flies has gained us as makers world-wide reputation.

BEST GENERAL SALMON FLIES.

LIST OF PRICES.

No.		Small. s.	d.	Medium. s.	d.	Large. s.	d.
1094	The Ranger	1	3	1	6	2	3
1095	„ Jock Scot	1	9	2	0	2	9
1096	„ Spey Dog	0	9	1	3	1	9
1097	„ Butcher	1	0	1	3	1	6
1098	„ Parson	1	8	1	11	2	6
1099	„ Wasp	0	6	0	9	1	3
1100	„ Blue Doctor	1	6	1	9	2	0
1101	„ Silver Doctor	1	6	1	9	2	3
1102	„ Red Caterpillar	0	6	0	8	1	0
1103	„ Shannon	1	9	2	0	2	9
1104	„ Rainbow	1	6	1	9	2	6
1105	„ Popham	2	0	2	6	3	0
1106	„ Spanker	1	9	2	3	2	6
1107	„ Lightning	1	9	2	3	2	6
1108	„ Captain	1	6	1	9	2	3
1109	„ MacSporren	1	6	1	9	2	3

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No.		Small. s.	d.	Medium. s.	d.	Large. s.	d.
1110	The Blue Macaw ...	1	0	1	6	1	9
1111	„ Black Death ...	1	9	2	0	2	6
1112	„ Indian Crow ...	0	9	1	0	1	6
1113	„ Tam O'Shanter	1	6	1	9	2	6
1114	„ Little Clipper ...	1	0	1	6	1	9
1115	„ Rob Roy ...	1	6	1	9	2	3
1116	„ Infallible ...	1	6	2	0	2	6
1117	„ Toppy ...	0	6	0	9	1	0
1118	„ Spartan ...	1	6	1	9	2	3

SPECIAL FLIES FOR SPECIAL WATERS.

Being the Patterns of Local Notable Fishermen.

We dress the best known local flies for North Country, Irish, and Welsh waters—exact in point of size and colour, but far superior in workmanship, to what may be "got on the banks." New improvements, such as rustless hooks of approved bends, eyed or otherwise, have been largely adopted by us of late. These changes, coupled with perfection of neatness of dressing, and quality of material, will leave no scope for successful competition.

As examples, we particularise and quote price of flies for several salmon rivers of note.

THE ABERDEENSHIRE DEE.

	Small. s.	d.	Medium. s.	d.	Large. s.	d.
The Tartan	1	9	2	0	2	4
„ Grey Eagle	1	6	1	9	2	0
„ Yellow Eagle ...	1	8	1	10	2	3
„ Childers	1	6	1	8	2	0

The above are local flies. In addition, well known flies of general repute are Jock Scot, Silver Doctor, Popham, Butcher, Spanker, &c., all of which latter are brighter in colour than the purely local special flies. The "Generals" are used when the "Weals" fail to "fetch" fish.

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As an Irish river, we select

THE SUIR,

the flies on which water are used very small.

	Small. s.	Small. d.	Medium. s.	Medium. d.
The Crane	1	0	1	6
„ Shannon	1	6	1	10
„ Old Blue...	1	3	1	9
„ Blue and Orange	1	2	1	6
„ Mystery	1	6	1	9
„ Golden Green	2	0	2	3

The best general flies being the Durham, Ranger, Blue and Silver Doctors, Jock Scot, Tam O'Shanter, and the Spanker.

For Wales we will instance

THE DOVEY,*

the flies on which river are usually used medium in size.

	Small. s.	Small. d.	Medium s.	Medium d.	Large. s.	Large. d.
The Baker	1	2	1	6	1	10
„ Captain (Welsh Dressing)	1	4	1	8	2	0
„ Powell's Fancy ...	1	6	1	9	2	0
„ March Imp	1	6	1	9	2	0
„ Fiery Brown	1	3	1	6	1	9
„ Welshman's Fairy ...	1	6	1	9	2	0
„ Silver King	1	0	1	3	1	8

The more sombre kind of general flies are suited to vary with local patterns on this river, such as the Spey Dog, Tam O'Shanter, Wasp, Brown and Orange, Ranger, &c.

Special Salmon Flies made to order, in lots of not less than two of each special description or pattern.

* We are indebted to Mr. Fred Yates, of Neath, for several first-rate Sewen and Salmon patterns for this river.

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FOSTER'S "WOOLLEY BEAR" OR CATERPILLAR,

For Sunk Fly-Fishing for Salmon, Sea, and Brown Trout.

This is found to be the best lure it is possible to use on a fly cast. It is not loaded, but it is of the weight and make of an ordinary palmered fly. It will kill almost equally well in bright, clear, and still water, well whipped over fish, as it will in a "spate" or fresh. A rich fiery brown is the prevailing colour, the feather fibres thus show a brilliant colour when held in a position for the eye to look through them. We have inserted a few extracts from reports of fishermen who have used them, elsewhere; we add a couple further. These and more may be seen on application, in full, as received :—

"Garynakine Inn, Stornaway, N.B.

"I have taken, out of a total of 19 salmon, 12 of them with your salmon sized caterpillar, and these not from broken water, but still pools. I can kill with this on this water when all others I try fail.

"E. N. WOODHAM.

"July 20th, 1882."

"Chesterton Villa, Chertsey Road,
"Clifton, Bristol.

"I find salmon take your 'Woolley Bear' or Caterpillar *well.* I have landed some good fish with them. Pray tie me some on larger hooks than the last, as the fish occasionally are too big and heavy for the light and rather little hooks on the last lot.

"GEORGE A. CUYLER (Colonel)."

	Small. s. d.	Medium. s. d.	Large. s. d.
Price (salmon sizes) ...	0 6 ...	0 9 ...	1 0

The smaller sizes kill equally well for trout—Price, 3s. per dozen.

FLY DRESSING MATERIALS.

		s.	d.	
African Macaw Tail Feathers	8d. and	1	0	each
Jay's Wings		0	6	per pair
Golden Pheasant Tail Feathers	1s. 0d. and	1	6	each

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Dark Brown Mallards	0	6	per doz.
Best Dyed Hackles	3	6	„
Best Dyed Swan	0	6	„
Dyed Turkey Feathers (small)	4	0	per doz.
„ „ (large)	6	0	„
Mohair	3	0	per oz.
Pig's Wool	7	0	„
„ (superior)	9	6	„
Golden Pheasant Tippets	0	9	per doz.
„ Toppings, 6s., 5s., 4s., 2s., and 1s. per doz.			
No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.			
Fly Tweezers	1	0	per pair
Fly Scissors ... ... 1s. od. and	1	6	„
Gold and Silver Tinsel	9	0	per doz.
„ „ (superior)	18	0	„
Floss Silk ... ... 2s. od. per dozen skeins			
Corded Silk, finest (special make) ... 2s. od. „			
Hand Vices for Fly making	3	6	each
Table Vices „ ... 10s. 6d. and	12	6	„
Bustard Feathers ... ... 1s. od. to	2	0	„
Wood-duck „ (Canadian) barred	4	6	per doz.
„ „ „ plain (for drakes) ...	2	9	„
Jungle Cock Neck Skins	8	6	each

Complete set of fly-making materials, for trout and grayling flies, consisting of the following:—500 best fly hooks (various sizes), value 1s. 6d. per hundred; 200 best fly gut, finest stained, value 5s. 6d. per hank; 1 doz. skeins of best fly tying silk, at 2s.; with wings, packets of hackles, floss for bodies, tinsels, &c., &c., sufficient for over 6 gross of flies, price 29s. 6d.

This collection is usually sold at three times the price quoted. Smaller collections at proportionate reductions.

Golden pheasant skins, 25s. and 28s.; Toucan skins, 3s.; Argus pheasant feathers, Flamingo and Cock of the Rock feathers, Red and Blue Macaw skins, &c., &c.

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GENERAL ANGLING REQUISITES.

BEST SILKWORM GUT.

NO.		s.	d.
1119	Best quality round and clear gut, per 100 lengths	2s. and 2	6
1120	,, fine undrawn	3s. 6d. to 4	0
1121	,, Ditto every length picked over and stained	4s. 6d. and 5	0
1122	,, lake, suitable for minnow spinning, &c.,	3s. 6d. and 4	0
1123	,, ,, stout for sea trout fishing ...	4s. 6d. and 5	0
1124	,, Salmon gut, extra stout 10s., 12s. 6d., 15s., 17s. 6d. &	20	0
1125	,, ,, extra stout, best quality, 22s. 6d., 25s., 27s. 6d., 30s., 35s., 40s., 45s., and 50s. per hank.		

The last named quality of gut *is the best imported.* The higher priced hanks are of gut as thick as a moderate fiddle string, and are admirably adapted for single gut traces for very heavy fish.

1126	Best fine undrawn, 18½ and 19 inch gut, round and clear, per 100	8s. 6d. and 9	0

DITTO ORDINARY QUALITY.

The following are usually sold at the *foregoing* prices:—

1127	Silkworm gut, ordinary	per hank of 100 0	9
1128	,, ,, ...	,, 1s. 6d. and 2	0
1129	Best ,, ,, ...	,, 2s. 6d. to 3	6
1130	Lake ,, ,, (stout)	,, 3s. 6d. to 5	0

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NO.			s.	d.
1131	Fine fly (best refined) ...	1s., 1s. 6d., 2s. 6d. and	3	0
1132	Extra stout Salmon	10s., 12s. 6d. „	15	0
1133	Fine 15 inch, undrawn, good quality	... ...	5	0

BEST DRAWN GUT.

1134	10-in., 1 x 2 x or 3 x fine	...	per hank of 100,	4s. to	5	0
1135	11-in.	„	Best quality	„ 4s. 6d. „	5	6
1136	12-in.	„	...	„ 5s. 6d. „	6	6
1137	13-in.	„	...	„ 6s. „	7	0
1138	14-in.	„	...	„ 6s. 6d. „	7	6
1139	15-in.	„	...	„ 7s. „	8	0
1140	16-in.	„	...	„ 7s. 6d. „	9	0

DITTO, ORDINARY QUALITY,

Which is usually retailed at almost double the prices here quoted.

1141	9-in. drawn gut, 1 x 2 x fine, round and stained ...	2	9
1142	10-in.	3	6
1143	11-in.	4	0
1144	12-in.	4	6
1145	13-in.	5	0
1146	14-in.	5	6

And 6d. per inch up to 16 inch.

GUT CASTING LINES.

		Per Dozen.			
		1 yard.	1½ yards.	2 yards.	3 yards.
1147	Gut lines, regular	2/0 ...	3/0 ...	4/0 ...	6/0
1148	„ superior	3/0 ...	4/6 ...	6/0 ...	9/0
1149	„ fine or extra fine, tapered	3/3 ...	5/0 ...	7/6 ...	10/6
1150	„ XXX fine undrawn	4/0 ...	6/0 ...	8/0 ...	12/0
1151	„ „ finest tapered	4/9 ...	6/4½...	9/6 ...	14/9
1152	„ stout	4/0 ...	6/0 ...	8/0 ...	12/0
1153	„ extra stout	6/0 ...	9/0 ...	12/0 ...	18/0
1154	„ salmon	10/0 ...	15/0 ...	20/0 ...	30/0
1155	„ extra stout	15/0 ...	21/0 ...	28/0 ...	42/0

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NO.			PER DOZEN. 1 yard.	1½ yards.	2 yards.	3 yards.
1156	Gut	three-gut twisted fine	9 0	12/0	18/0	24/0
1157	„	four-gut twisted fine	...	...	24/0	36/0
1158	„	three-gut twisted stout ...	7/6	15/0	20/0	30/0
1159	„	four-gut twist	...	...	...	42/0
1160	„	plaited three-gut	13/6	19/6	25/0	35/0
1161	„	taper half-twisted gut and half-single salmon ...	9/0	18/0	22/0	30/0
1162	„	extra stout single	9/6	19/0	24/0	36/0
1163	„	half-treble gut and half-double gut, finely tapered	9/0	18/0	22/0	30/0

1164 The new spliced (knotless), stoutest single gut traces (patent), 2 yards, 2s. 9d., 3 yards, 4s. each.

The above is the latest improvement in Salmon traces. There is an entire absence of knots, and as at these breakages almost invarably occur, the chances of loss and disaster are in the case of the improved casts reduced to a minimum.

Hair Casts made to order, 3 yards, 6d. each.

The gut used in making the above is *new*, being in all cases of recent importation. We obtain our gut direct from the manufacturers, and as their best blends only are reserved for us, we can thoroughly commend them to our customers. The XXX fine undrawn cast is now used by the best fly-fishers of the day.

For grayling and very fine trout fishing our new "Climax" cast is the very acme of perfection, constructed from 17-inch gut, finely tapered, and put carefully together without speck or blemish. There are less knots, fewer chances of breakage, and by the beautifully gradual taper, the tendency to entangle is immensely diminished, and the prospects of sport in like ratio enhanced. The price of our special long-length "Climax" cast (534) is 16/6 per dozen. All our casts are tested prior to being put in stock.

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NEW FLY BOOK

THE "CRITERION."

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C.—Recess for Scissors.

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E.—Flies arranged (named and numbered) for whole Season.

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The above Celebrated New Fly Book, fitted up systematically with flies for the whole season, with one-quarter dozen each of 48 different sorts, being a perfect list of the most prominent killers for the 8 months, commencing with March and ending with October, with 8 pages of printed instructions on parchment. The flies will kill on all clear streams in which trout and grayling abound. There is accommodation for myriads of loose flies; also large pockets for casts, &c. The whole comprising by far the most *elaborate*, *valuable* and *ingenious* Fly Book every introduced to the angling world. Book only, with instructions, 6½ in. by 1¼ in., in Russian leather, 15s. 6d.

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1168 Real Russian Leather Fly Books, with leaves secured by metal holder, same contents as morocco books, 5 in., 7s. 6d.; 5½ in., 8s. 6d.; 6 in., 9s. 6d.; 6½ in. 10s. 6d.; 7 in., 11s. 6d.; 8 in., 12s. 9d.

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1173 Fly Book in Russian, with instructions on parchment, from "Ronald's Fly Fishery's Entomology" ... 12 6

1174 Ditto, Best Roan 8 9

1175 Ditto, 2nd quality, ditto ... ... 5s. 6d. and 7 6

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NO.		s.	d.
1176	The Excelsior Fly Book 5½ in., 7s. 6d., to 7 in. at	12	6
1177	Long Roan Fly Books to hold flies at full length each	10	6

1178 Tanned Canvas Leather Bound Fly Books, with metal holder at back, with several pages framed so as not to crush flies, 5½ in., 5s. 9d.; 6 in., 6s. 6d.; 6½ in., 7s. 3d.; 7 in. 7s. 6d.

1179 Strong Leather Fly Books, with straps, three pockets, twenty-four recesses for flies, four flannel pages, &c., 5 in., 4s.; 5½ in. 4s. 6d.; 6 in., 5s.; 6½ in., 5s. 6d.; 7 in., 6s. 6d.

1180 Leather Fly Books, with parchment recesses and flannel leaves, 5½ in., 3s. 6d.; 6 in., 4s.; 6½ in., 4s. 6d.; 7 in., 5s. 6d. each.

TACKLE BOOKS AND CASES.

1181	General Fly and Tackle Book, Roan, &c.	6	9
1182	Ditto for midwater and bottom fishing only, in strong leather, well mounted and finished	7	0
1183	For bottom fishing only, furnished with four line box winder, fitted with lines, plummets, &c., ready for use, also with spare leaves and pockets for other Tackle. Complete for bottom fishing	9	0
1184	Best quality	10	9
1185	The "Eureka" Pocket Fly Case, for eyed flies, 4 inch by 2 inch, with three detachable trays, will hold several gross of eyed flies, and dozens of casts without crushing, a most neat and compact pocket case	2	10
1186	The "Multum in Parvo" Fly and Cast Box, 4 in. by 1½ in., with four 4 in. dia. recesses, &c., ¼ in. deep. The most compact eyed fly case yet introduced ...	3	9
1187	The "Paragon" Sea Trout and Salmon Fly and Cast Case, 5 inch by 2⅛ inch, with six 5 inch dia. recesses for single and double hooked flies, &c., with cork centres ... ... at 3s. 6d. and	4	0

1188 The Safety Bait Case for Spinning and other Baits, holds all secure, keeping by a simple arrangement traces and hooks apart. See plate II., figure 8. Size 5 inch

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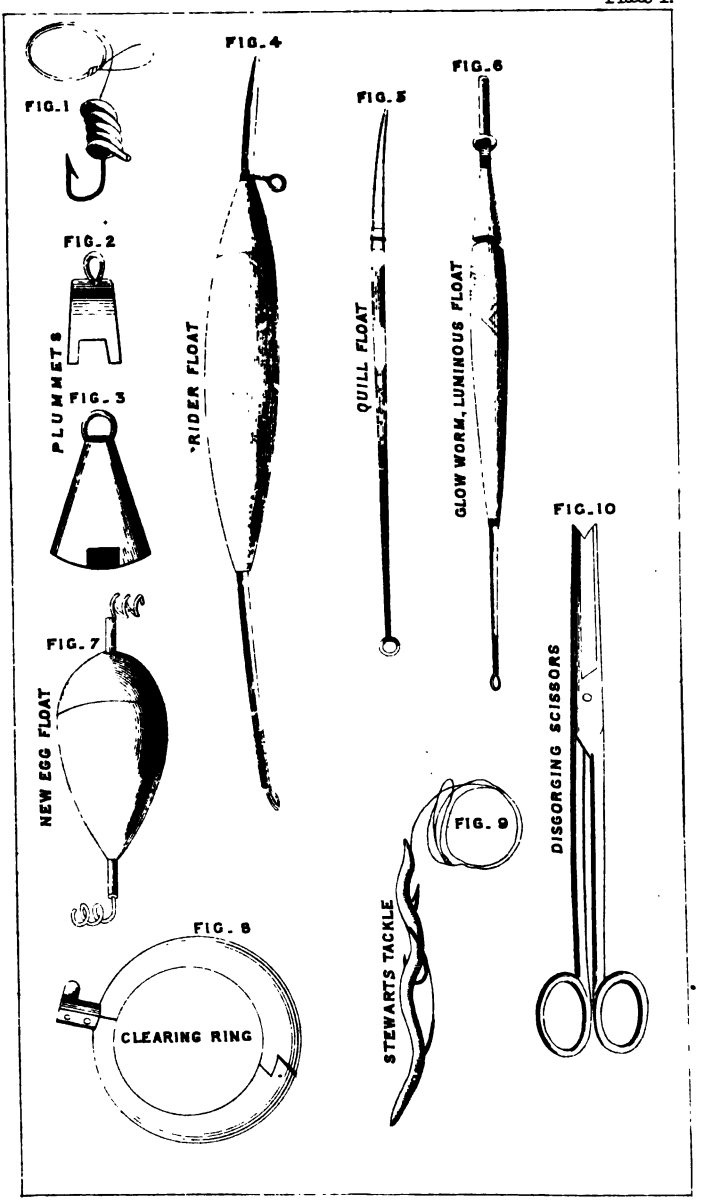
Plate 1.



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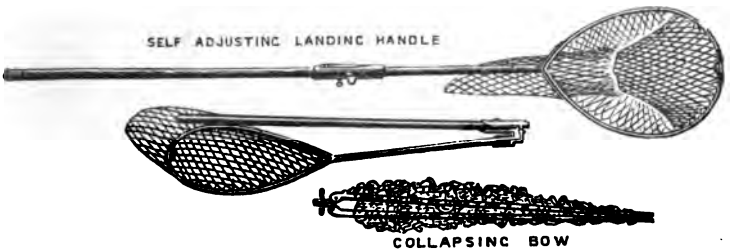
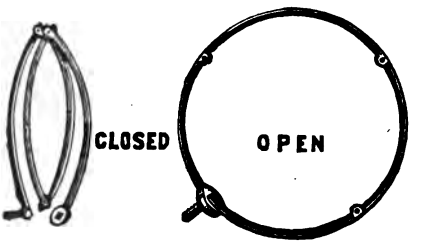
NO.		s.	d.
	by 1 inch, 3s. 9d.; 5½ inch by 1½ inch. with recesses in lid ... ... each	4	9
1189	Boxes for gentles or maggots, &c. . ... each	0	6
	Tackle Cases in mahogany, with hinged lids, 3s. 6d. to	5	0

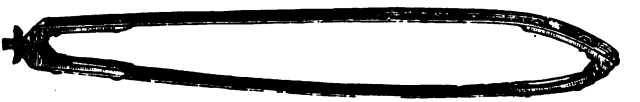
LANDING NETS.



1190	Foster's "Reliance" spring joint automatic Landing Net, with steel collapsing bow and plaited wire and silk waterproof Net. This cuts the water like a sieve or bucket, and thus offers no impediment to the entry of the fish... ... price complete	18	6



1191	Ditto with folding bow and waterproof plain Net, complete	16	6
1192	Ditto with balloon-shaped plain stained wood or round metal bow, and plain strong Net	13	6



1193	Best Cane Landing Handle, 3s. 9d.; collapsing steel ring with improved "safety" joint, registered, 6s. 9d.; waterproof Net, 1s. 9d.; Net complete ...	12	3

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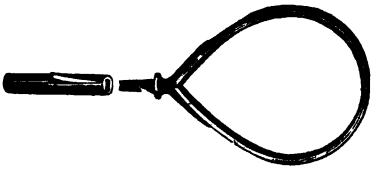
NO.		s.	d.
1194	Best solid hickory or stained English ash handle, fitted with patent No. 6516 bevel necked reliable screw ferrule, 2s. 9d,; jointed steel bow, 12 inch dia., 2s. 9d., and plain Net, 1s. 7d. complete	6	6



The new holdfast joint for Landing Nets (patent), self-locking. No screw threads to get out of order. The improved joint is at once efficient, durable, and strong. It can be fitted to any of the above Nets at a cost of 3s. extra.

NETS.

1195	Landing Nets, round bottomed, netted strong hemp. each	0	10
1196	Ditto Minnow mesh, 2s. 2s. 2d. 2s. 6d. 2s. 9d. 3s. 3d. 3s. 9d. 4s. 9d. each, 15 17 19 21 24 27 30 inch deep.		
1197	Waterproof, bleached hemp, best, to fit 12 in. bow ...	1	9
1198	Ditto best silk, or silk and wire plaited, 3s. and	3	6
1199	Ditto for Salmon, 4 ft. deep, to fit bow 24 in. dia., 5s. 9d.; 30 in. dia.	6	6
1200	„ Trammell," and other Nets to order, at from 1s. per square yard, including floats and sinkers.		

LANDING RINGS.

1201	Plain round rings	0	6
1202	Best ditto, bronzed, 11 and 12 inch dia.	1	0
1203	New jointed ring, bronzed „	1	9
1204	Folding rings, bronzed, 10-inch, four joints	2	0

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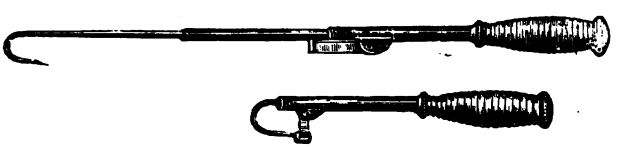
1205	Folding rings, bronzed, 12-inch, four joints	2	6
1206	" " 14 " "	3	0
1207	" " 16 " "	3	6
1208	" " 18 " "	4	0
1209	" " 20 " "	5	0
1210	Bent wood bow, brass mounted, best	4	0
1211	20-in. steel collapsing	6	6
1212	22-in. " "	7	6
1213	The new "Safety" registered collapsing ring, nickel-plated—18 in., 8s. 6d.; 20 in., 9s.; 22 and 24 inch	9	6
1214	Best whalebone rings, collapsing—18 in., 19s. 9d.; 20 in., 21s. 6d.; 24 in., 26s.; 27 in., 28s. 6d.; 30 in., 38s. 6d.; 33 in., 48s. 6d.; 36 in.,	60	0
1215	Best knuckle joint for landing rings	3	6
1216	Ditto do., best gun metal	4	0

The New Knuckle Joints are made with the universal screw, and can therefore be fitted to almost any landing net. By an ingenious arrangement they convert any net they are fitted to, to a spring-joint (automatic). The net is thus rendered by their use more portable, handy, and useful in every way.

SALMON GAFFS.

1217	Steel Gaffs, with screw ... ... 3s. and	4	6
1218	Salmon Gaffs (screw-fitting), polished shaft	7	6



1219	Best Portable three joint Telescope Gaff, will go into the pocket or hang safely on shoulder strap, and can be adjusted whilst playing the fish, 17s. 6d., 24s., and	30	0
1220	Ordinary quality, ditto	10	6
1221	Best quality, 2-joint, ditto	14	6

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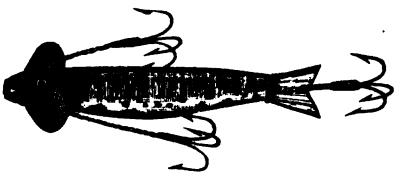
SPINNING MINNOWS.

The following comprises *all* the best baits used in trout, salmon, and pike fishing. No one is inserted here, and kept in our stock, without our having thoroughly tested its killing capabilities repeatedly. We can, therefore, recommend the baits quoted for as being sterlingly good for the purpose for which they are constructed.

FOSTER'S NEW "PEARL" BAIT.



The above bait is the nearest approach to a small living trout that has yet been introduced. It kills well in clear and as well in flushed water. It is transparent, and has the weight at the head, which causes the bait to head towards the bed of the water when the line is eased in the act of spinning. As a trout, salmon, and pike killer, it is a great advance over all and every other spinning bait yet invented. *Vide* the reports from the leading Fishing Stations, appearing weekly in the chief British and other Sporting Journals.

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1222 Trout sizes, 1⅛ in. 1s. 10d.; 1½ in. and 1¾ in., 2s. 1d.; salmon and pike, 3½ in. and 4 in., on treble gut or on fine gimp, 3s. 6d. and 4s.

1223 The Derby Trout Killer, 1½ in. and 1¾ in., 2s.; 2½ in., 2s. 6d.; 3 in., 3s.; 3½ in., 3s. 6d.; and 4 in., 3s. 9d.; 4d. and 6d. extra if traced.

The above renowned bait is particularly successful in clear running streams. It has been used in the Midlands for forty years past, and holds its own still, though the ever extending list of "artificials" have long ago outnumbered the numerical varieties of naturals in fresh waters.

Solid Metal Derby Killers are supplied at same prices.

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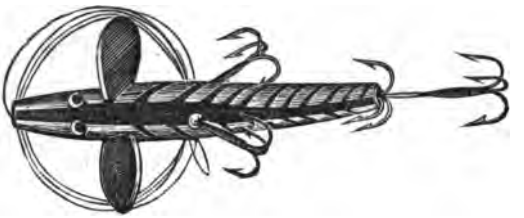

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1224 Improved German Silver Heavy Devon Bait, 1 in., 1¼ in., and 1½ in., 1s. 6d.; 1¾ in. and 2 in., 2s.; 2¼ in. and 2½ in., 2s. 6d.; 2¾ in. and 3 in., 3s. each; 3½ in., 3s. 6d.; 4 in., 4s.

This Devon is the best killing of all Devons, and perhaps of all baits for discoloured water. It is of solid white metal, and can be scraped to the needful degree of brightness with the back of a knife without injury. The yellow-white of the metal employed in above kills much better than the too glaring silver-washed brass baits so generally sold.

1225 Ordinary Devons, 1 in., 1s.; 1½ in., 1s. 3d.; 1¾ in., 1s. 6d.; 2 in., 1s. 9d.; 2¼ in., 2s.; 2½ in., 2s. 3d.; 3 in., 2s. 6d.; 3½ in., 2s. 9d.; 4 in., 3s.

1226 Gregory Bait, 1¾ in., 2s., Trout; 2½ in., 2s. 6d.; 3 in., 3s.; 3½ in., 3s. 6d., Salmon and Jack,

1227 The *Fishing Gazette* Bait (metal), 2s.

1228 Foster's Excelsior Solid Metal Bait Hooks (for illustration see Plate II., fig. 6), mounted without gut or gimp, 1¾ in., 2s. 6d.; 2½ in., 3s.; 3 in., 3s. 6d.

1229 The "Wriggler" Jointed Bait, 2 in., 2s. 9d.; 2½ in., 3s.; 3 in., 3s. 6d.; 3½ in., 4s. 6d.

1230 Brown's Phantoms—Size 0, 2s. 6d.; size 1, 2s. 9d.; size 2, 3s.; size 3, 3s. 6d.; size 5, 4s.; and size 6, 4s. 6d., either leaded or otherwise.

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NO.

1231 The "Reliable" Phantom—Size 0, 2s.; size 1, 2s.; size 2, 2s.; size 3, 2s. 6d.; size 4, 2s. 6d.; size 5, 2s. 6d.; size 6, 2s. 6d.; size 7, 3s. each.

1232 Ordinary ditto—Size 0, 1s. 8d.; size 1, 2s.; size 2, 2s. 3d.; size 3, 2s. 6d.; size 4, 2s. 9d.

1233 Minnows for use with fly-rod and on fly-cast, 4d., 6d. and 9d. each.

1234 The "Sylph" Minnow—No. 1, 1s. 6d.; No. 2, 1s. 6d.; No. 3, 1s. 9d.; No. 4, 2s. 6d.; No. 5, 3s. each. This bait is of horn. It is a realistic imitation of a natural bait. It is used generally with the fly rod at twilight in the hot months, when it is often most deadly. The larger sizes are particularly deadly when used trailing at the extremity of a long line from a boat for sea trout and salmon.

1235 The Garnet Quill Minnows—No. 1, 1s. 6d.; No. 2, 1s. 6d.; No. 3, 1s. 9d.; No. 4, 2s. 6d. each.

1236 Foster's "Universal Killer"—1½ in., 2s.; 2½ ins., 2s. 6d.; 3 in. 3s.; 3½ in., 3s. 6d.; 4 in., 4s. 6d. each, mounted. This bait spins from the tail, as will be seen on referring to plate II, where illustration is given (fig 7). In narrow streams, trout often miss a bait having the spinning flanges at the head, the fish dashing at the head of the bait from close quarters, hits the revolving ears or flanges, which then act as guards for the hooks. This is entirely obviated in the minnow referred to.

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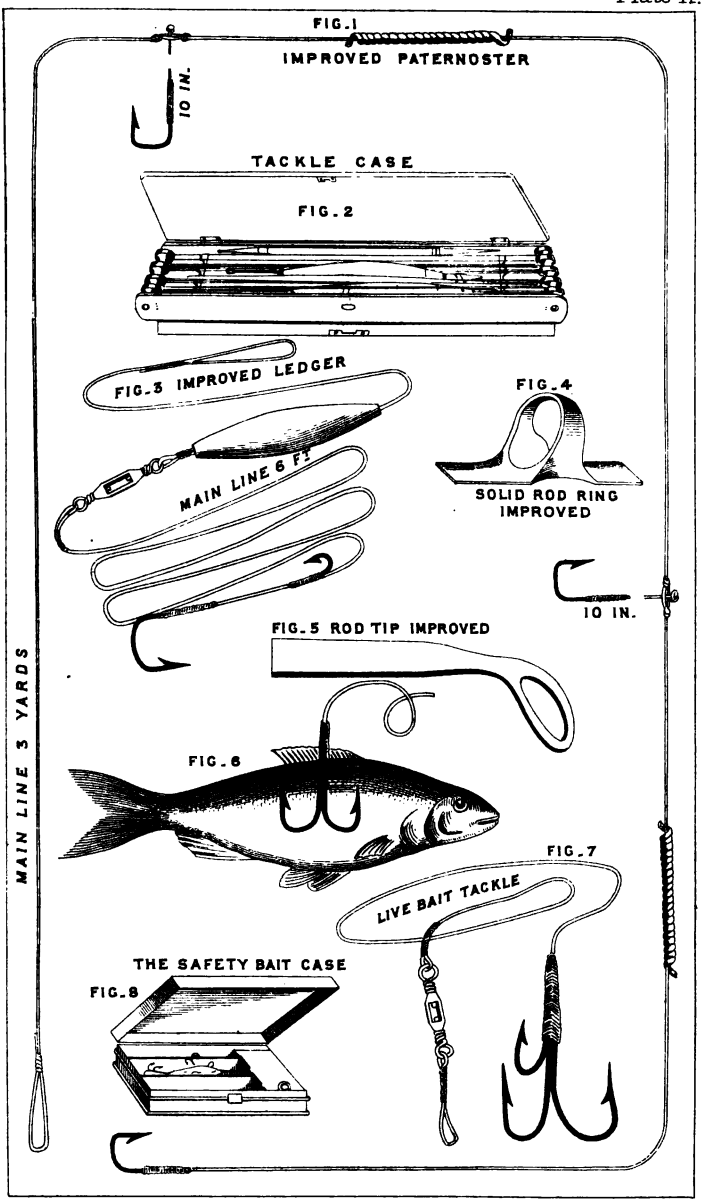
Plate 11.



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SPINNING AND OTHER BAITS FOR PIKE.

The larger sized baits in the preceding range are adapted for pike, as well as salmon, trout, perch, &c., but the following are more particularly, and specially pike baits. Colours that are found to be seductive in the case of trout, are found to be of "no account" in the case of pike. Vermillion for instance is not a killing colour on a trout bait, and is not used except to pourtray the specks on the back of the fish named, and these are not vivid in action. In the case of Jack the facts are reversed, as the whole *Esox Lucius* family "go" for vermillion when judiciously laid on, like a bull for a red rag, though with an intent widely different. It goes without saying that a change of colour is good occasionally, but we find that in our own experience, and in that of the vast majority of our numerous clients, this change of colour is absolutely necessary in clear water fishing to ensure *a continuance* of sport over the same ground, or rather water.

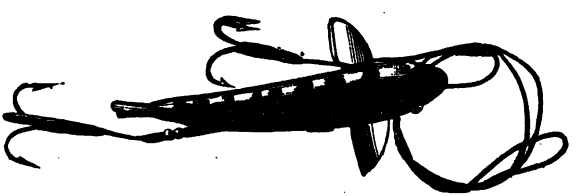
1237 The "Clipper," No. 1, 1s. 6d.; No. 2, 2s.; No. 3, 2s.; No. 4, 2s. 6d.; No. 5, 2s. 6d. each.

1238 The "Sportsman," 2½ in., 2s. 6d.; 3 in., 3s.; 3½ in., 3s. 6d.; 4 in., 4s. each.

1239 The "Torpedo" Devon, a new and very heavy bait, specially adapted for pike, 2 inch, 2s. 3d.; 2½ inch, 2s. 6d.; and 3 inch, 3s. 3d.

1240 The "Shadow" Bait, Registered, No. 1, 9d.; No. 2, 1s.; No. 3, 1s. 3d.: No. 4, 1s. 6d.; No. 5, 1s. 6d. each.

1241 The "Perfect" Spinner, either gilt or silvered, No. 1, 1s. 8d.; No. 2, 1s. 10d.; No. 3, 2s.; No. 4, 2s. 6d. each.



GUDGEON REDUCED.

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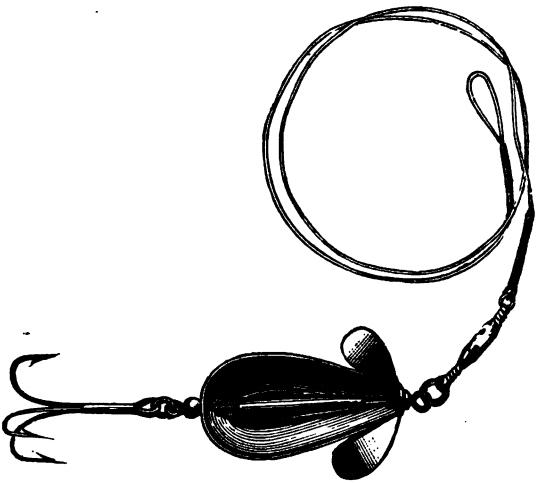
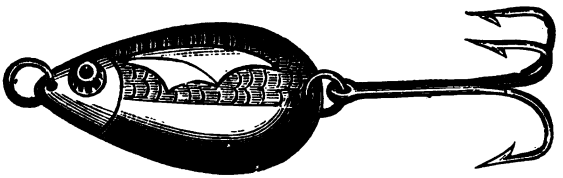


THE "COLORADO."

1243 The "Colorado" Spoon, 1s. 3d.; 1s. 6d.; 1s. 9d., and 2s. each. The above has the weight inside the spoon, and also extra spinning flanges. We hear of a clergyman of our acquaintance being towed about for over an hour in a punt on a pool by a pike, that afterwards proved to be a little over 30 lbs. The "Colorado" was the bait used. The large triangle is best obscured in a tassel of bright wool, or in a feather tag.



1244 The "Norwich" Spoon, with or without tassel, size A, 1s. 3d.; B, 1s. 6d.; C, 1s. 9d., and D, 2s.

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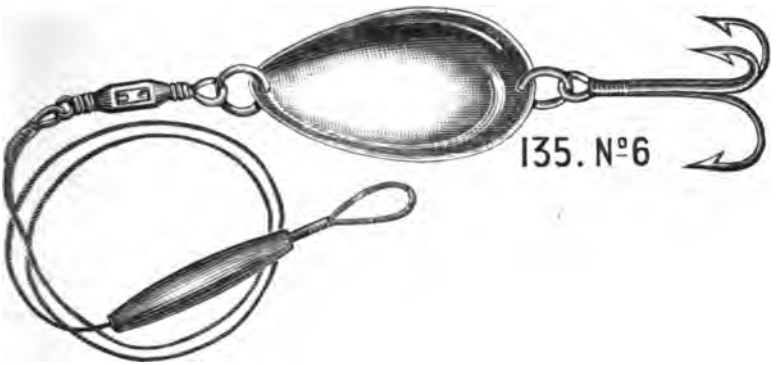

1245 Ordinary Spoon Baits, Traced, size 1, 6d.; 2, 8d.; 3, 10d.; 4, 1s.; 5, 1s. 2d.; 6, 1s. 4d. each.

1246 Artificial Lampreys, transparent and well mounted, with strong but delicate hooks. The most natural Lamprey yet made. 2½ inch, 1s.; 3½ inch, 1s. 6d. each.

1247 The "Eclipse" Sand Eel. This bait is far and away superior to any bait of similar shape now in use. It is of Buffalo horn. It is a deadly spinning bait for salmon, &c., in estuaries, as well as for ordinary sea fishing—2½ in., 1s.; 3 in., 1s. 4d.; 3½ in., 1s. 6d.

1248 Pike Flies, 9d., 1s., and 1s. 6d. each.

1249 Artificial Frogs, hollow rubber, each 1s.

SPINNING TACKLE.

FOR NATURAL BAIT.

1250 Foster's Minnow Tackle, new arrangement (Trout). See plate III, figs. 1 and 2. Complete with swivel trace, Trout, 1s. 5d. Salmon and Pike, 1s. 10d. each.

1251 "*Fishing Gazette*" (see plate III., fig 3) Tackle, 2s.; Pike and Salmon, 2s. 6d. each.

1252 New Improved Archimedean Pike and Trout Tackle, see plate III., fig 4. This is made to admit of the hooks being altered to suit the length of bait used precisely. They are needed therefore in but two sizes—one for Trout at 1s. 6d., and one for Salmon and Pike at 1s. 9d.

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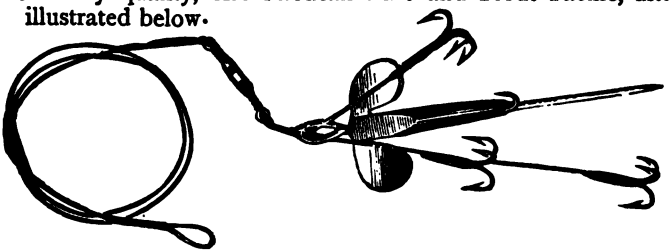
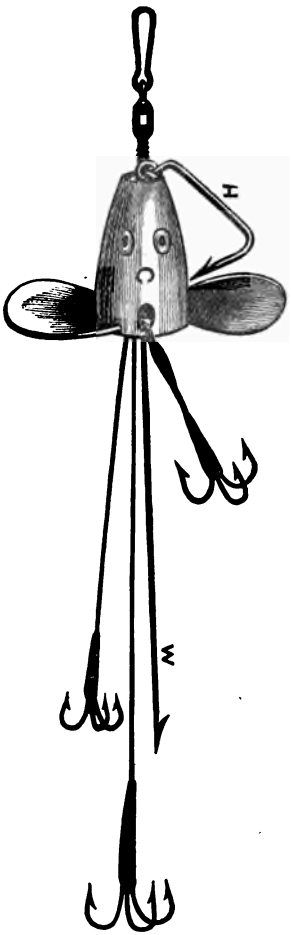
1253 Ordinary quality, Archimedean Pike and Trout Tackle, ditto, as illustrated below.



Price—No. 1, 1s.; No. 2, 1s. 2d.; No. 3, 1s. 4d.; No. 4, 1s. 6d.



1254 *Foster's "Unique" Drop Minnow Tackle (improved). The sets of triangular hooks upon this tackle are but two in number, but they are found to be ample for minnow "dipping" under bushes, &c., as well as for ordinary spinning in clear water. The above tackle works well in fine and clear water when the minnow is usually vetoed as being out of all question.

1255 Morris' New Spinner for natural minnow or gudgeon, &c. Price—small, for trout, 1s. 3d.; medium and large, for Salmon and Pike, 1s. 8d.

1256 Pennell's Snap Tackles, 10d.; 1s.; and 1s. 3d. traced.

1257 Pennell's Spinning Tackle, Trout, 1s. 3d.; Pike, 1s. 6d.

1258 F. Francis' Spinning Tackle, 1s. 3d. and 1s. 6d.

* This is an entirely new tackle for live bait, and is strongly recommended. It causes the bait to take a straight flight through the water, which is transcendentally superior to the cork-screw motion given by a turned tailed bait. The rod W is inserted down the mouth of the minnow, the nose being brought inside metal head C; the hook I being then inserted through the hole made for same. The illustration shows pike and salmon size.

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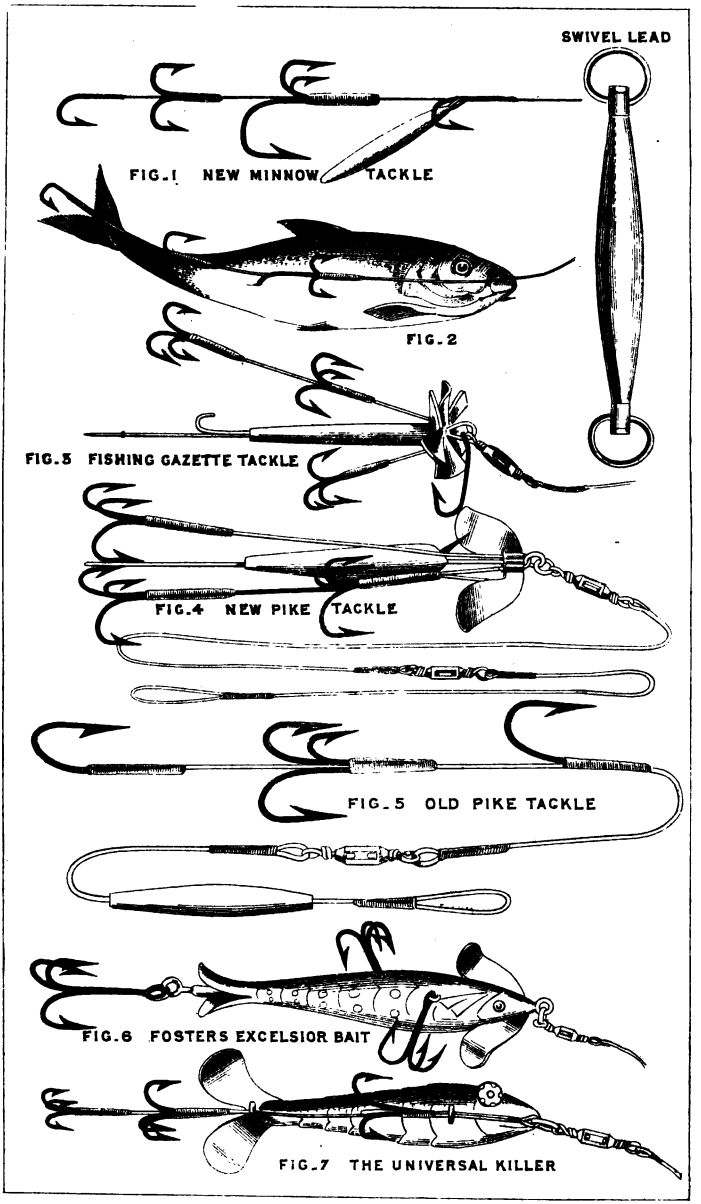

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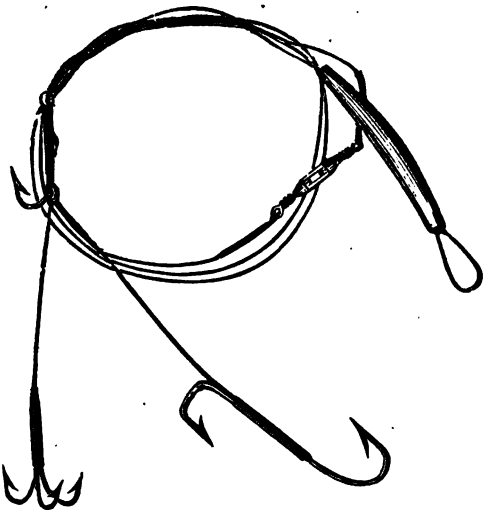
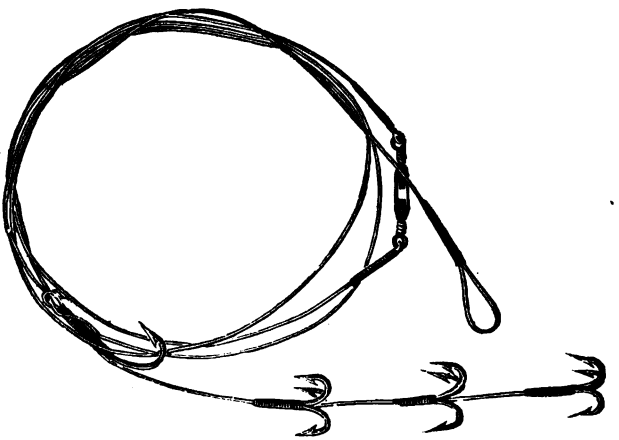


Pike Tackles mounted with rustless hooks, movable lip hooks, upon finest gossamer gimp, stained or otherwise, 1s. 6d. each.



1259 Ordinary Trout Spinning Tackles, traced, 1s. and 1s. 3d. each.
1260 Pike, (as per Illustration, Plate III., fig. 5), 1s. and 1s. 3d. each, traced.

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All the foregoing may be had either fine, medium, or strong, as wished.

NO.

1261 Traces for Spinning Minnows (swivelled gut or gimp) stained, 6d. each; double swivelled, and extra long, 8d. each.

Any of the above Trout Tackles may be had mounted on the new Annealed gossamer Steel Fibre (see pages 75 and 105) at same prices.

SWIVELS.

		Per doz. s.	d.
1262	Best Box Steel Swivels, Nos. 1 to 11	2	0
1263	Link Swivels	2	6
1264	Spring Hook Swivels	2	6
1265	Foster's Best Rustless Steel Swivels	3	0
1266	Ditto Double, the best Swivels made	5	0

Trout sizes range from Nos. 1 to 4; Salmon from 5 to 8, and Pike from 8 to 11.

Ordinary Steel and Brass Swivels, 1s. and 1s. 6d. per dozen.

LEADS.

		Per doz. s.	d.
1267	Minnow Tackle Leads, with brass loop	1	6
1268	Barrel Leads, small, 1s. 3d.; medium. 1s. 6d.; large ...	2	0
1269	Swivel Leads for Pike, &c. (see Plate III.)	3	9
1270	The "Field" Lead	4	0

BOTTOM HOOKS.

1271	Hooks to Gut, all sizes	0	6
1272	Best ditto, on long gut ... ... 9d. and	1	0
1273	Very finest ditto, on drawn gut	1	6
1274	Hooks on Gimp ... ... from 2s. to	3	6

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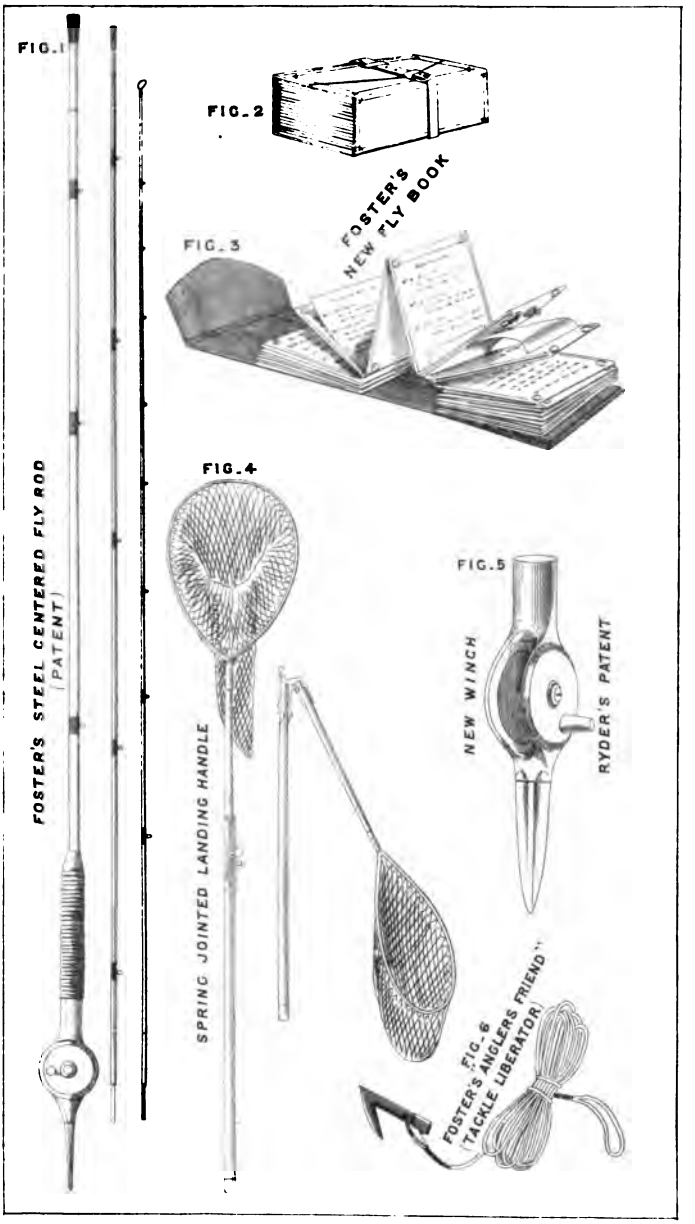

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NO.		Per doz. s.	d.
1275	Worm Tackles, 3 hooks from gut (see Plate I., fig. 9) ...	2	0
1276	Ditto ditto 2 ditto	1	6
1277	Best Hooks on finest drawn gut, for Roach	1	0
1278	Treble-brazed Hooks on gut, for paste	2	0
1279	Hooks mounted on the New Invisible Annealed Steel Fibre, Grayling and Roach	1	6
1280	Ditto 1 yd. without a knot or joining	2	0
1281	Ditto Trout, Barbel, Chub, Dace, Bream, &c., &c....	1	0
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1285 The Improved "Ledger" (see Plate II., fig. 3) 9d. each, on Gut or Gimp; Gossamer Gut and finest Gimp, 1s. each.

1286 Live Bait Tackles (see Plate II., fig. 7), 3d. and 4d. each.

1287 Paternosters, 9d. and 1s. each.

1288 On XXX fine undrawn Gut or Invisible Annealed Steel Fibre, 3 yds., 1s. 3d. each.

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		Per doz. s.	d.	Per 100 s.	d.
1289	Best Kendal Sneck Fly Hooks (for sizes, see plate VI.)	0	2½	1	6
1290	Rustless " (Brown)	0	2½	1	6

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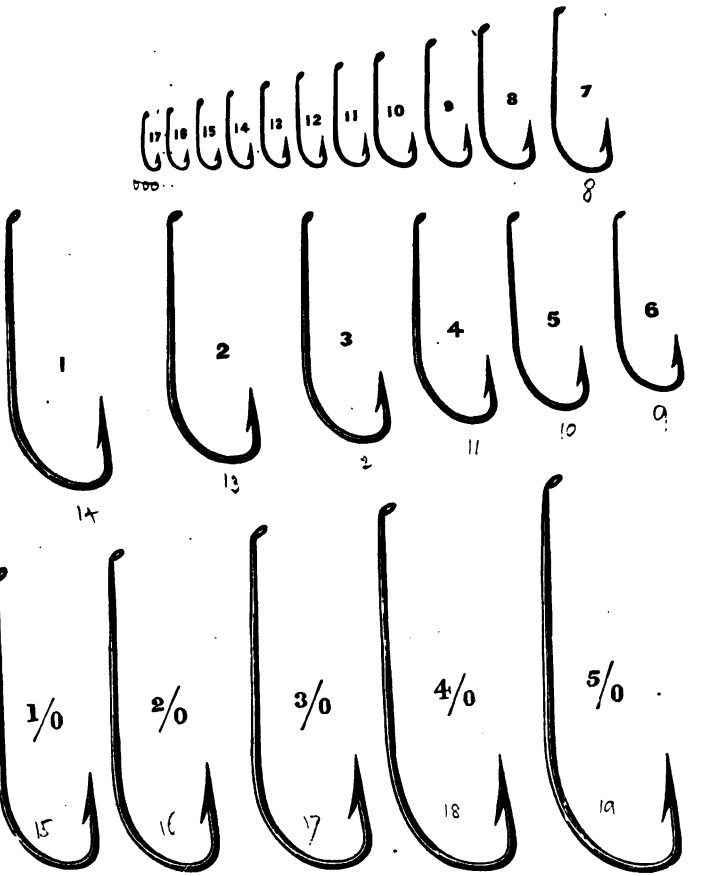
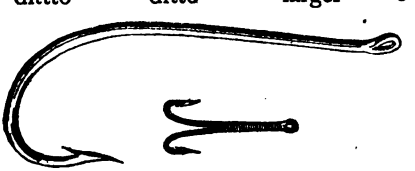
NO.		Per doz. s.	Per doz. d.	Per 100. s.	Per 100. d.
1291	The New Eyed Hooks (Hall's), Nos. 000 to 2	0	4½	2	9



1292	Pennell's Down Eyed, Nos. 000 to 10 ...	0	8	4	9
1293	Ditto dittto ditto larger	0	9	5	3



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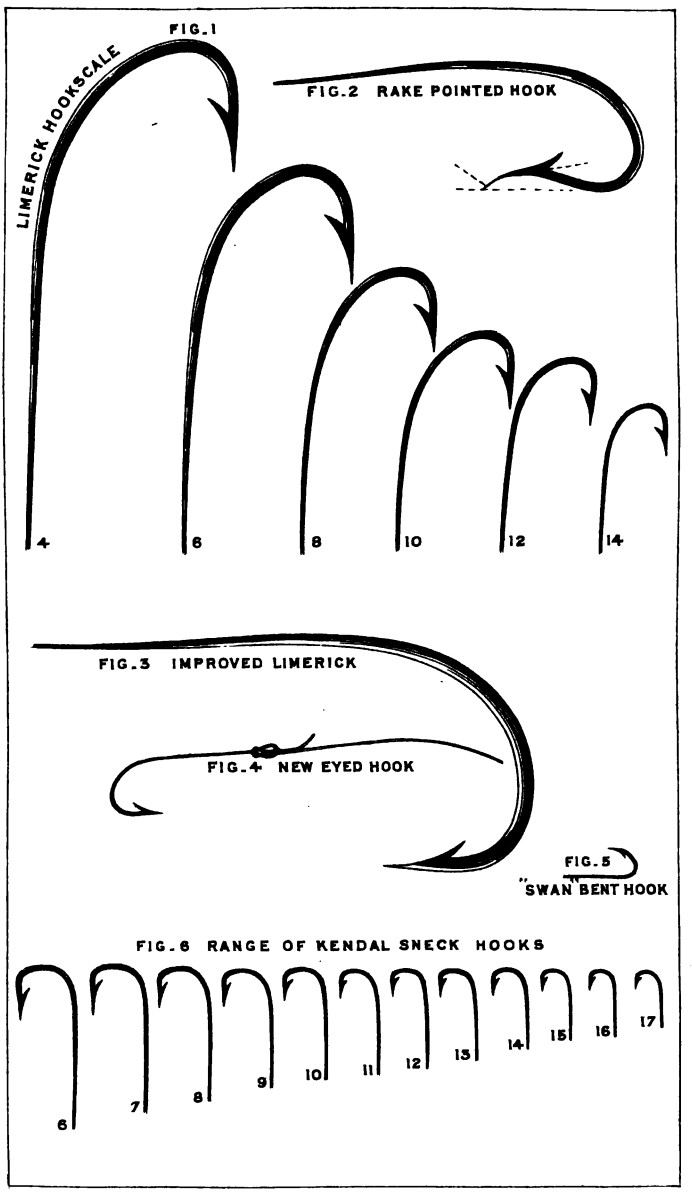

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		Per doz. s.	Per doz. d.		Per 100. s.	Per 100. d.
1294	Needle Eyed Crank Shank Salmon Hooks, Rustless	0	7		4	0
1295	Foster's "Swan" Bent „ (see plate VI., fig 5)	0	2½		1	6
1296	Limerick Best (see plate VI.), from 2½d. to	0	5 & 1/6	to	3	6
1297	Improved Limerick (Foster's) Rustless (see plate VI.)	0	4	„	2	6
1298	Best Crystal Roach Hooks	0	2½	„	1	3
1299	Eel Hooks	0	2	„	1	0
1300	Best Treble (Bright)	1	0	„	7	6
1301	„ „ (Rustless)	1	1	„	8	6

Other Hooks to order or pattern.

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1302 Quills, best, 1d., 1½d., 2d., to 6d. each.

1303 Patent Taper Quill, 5d., 6d., and 9d. each.

1304 Porcupine Cork, 4d., 6d,, 8d., 9d., 10d., and 1s. each.

1305 Porcupine Quill, 2d. to 6d. each.

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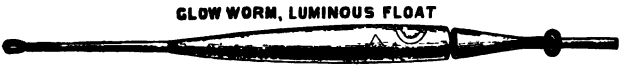

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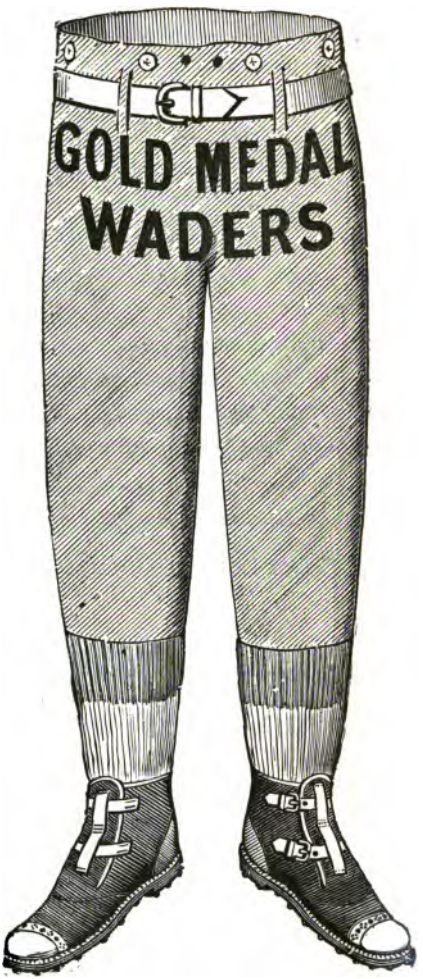

1312 Wading Stockings, No. 1, 16s. 6d.; No. 2, 16s. 6d.; No. 3, 16s. 6d.; No. 4, 17s. 6d.; No. 5, 17s. 6d. per pair.

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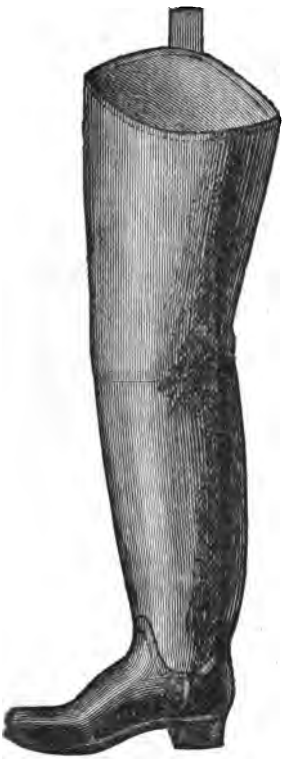

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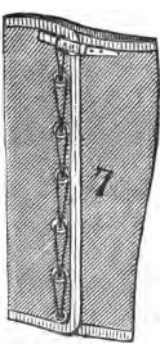

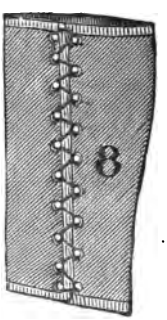

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